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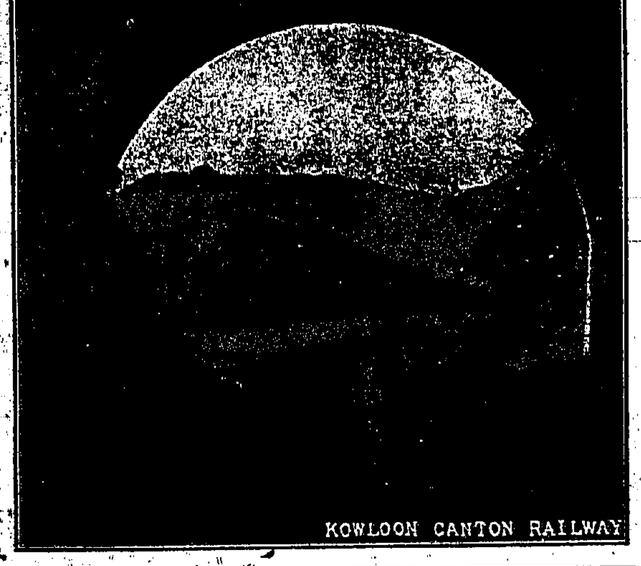

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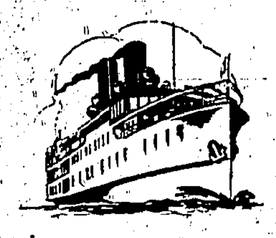

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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Circumcision. New Year's Day, Public Holiday, Chinese National Holiday. (Anniversary of the Founding of the Republic, 1912); Birthday of Siri Guroo Govind Singh Ji.

Cinemas

King's:—"A Night At The Opera."
Queen's:—"The Last Outpost."
Oriental:—"Casino De Paris."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Here Comes The Band."
Majestic:—"One More Spring."
Star:—"Car 99."

Dances.—Kowloon Docks New Year Dance, in Reading Room of Kowloon Dock Recreation Club, 9 p.m.

Entertainments.—Police Recreation Club Children Christmas Tree Party

Miscellaneous.—Chinese Chamber of Commerce Tea Party 3 p.m.; The Urban Council replaces the Sanitary Board; Sikh Community's Celebration of Siri Guroo's Birthday, at the Temple.

Social.—Tombola on board H.M.S. Tamar, 7.15 p.m.; Cheero Club Social Night; H.M.S. Dorsetshire concert party, 9 p.m.

Sports

Football.—Children's Playground Charity Match, Mainland v. Lland (Club Ground), 3.30 p.m.

Moon.—First Quarter, 11.15 p.m. XII Moon, 7th Day.

Sunrise.—7.03 a.m. Sunset.—5.50 p.m.

Tides.—High at 1.26 and 15.01. Low at 8.13 and 20.19.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Bank and Customs Holiday. Chinese National Holiday (New Year). St. Macarius.

Cinemas

King's:—"A Night At The Opera."
Queen's:—"The Last Outpost."
Oriental:—"Casino de Paris."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Here Comes The Band."
Majestic:—"One More Spring."
Star;—"Car 99."

Meetings.—Victoria Chess Club, at Gloucester Hotel, 5.30 p.m.; Toc H. Supper Meeting at Peninsula Hotel, Rooms 108-109, at 7.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Women's League of Health and Beauty Class, Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, 5.30 p.m.; Kowloon Women's Charities Games Afternoon, St. Andrew's Hall, 3 p.m.

Social.—Civil Service Cricket Club Whist Drive, 9 p.m.; "Get-Together" of Australian and New Zealand Association, in Assen.'s Rooms, Gloucester Hotel, 5.30 p.m.; University Medical Society's Farewell Party to Prof. and Mrs. J. L. Shellshear, in Union Assembly Room, 10 a.m.

Sports

Snooker.—Steel Coulson League, Chief and Petty Officers v. Royal Engineers; Garrison Sergeants v. Fusiliers; Naval Dockyard Police v. Prison Officers; Dockyard R.C. v. St. Patrick's; Catholic Union v. Civil Service.

Moon.—XII Moon, 8th. Day.

Sunrise.—7.03 a.m. Sunset.—5.50 p.m.

Tides.—High at 2.44 and 15.52; Low at 8.56 and 22.30.

CHINESE MARCONI AND VICKERS ISSUES

The joint committee representing holders of the Chinese Ten-Year Bills of 1918 (Marconi issue) and Ten-Year Treasury Notes of 1919 (Vickers issue) have sent to subscribing bondholders a circular informing them of developments since the issue of the last circular in August last year. It is stated that the chairman of the committee interviewed Sir Frederick Leith-Ross in July, and that Sir Frederick carried with him to China a memorandum on the subject of the two issues, with a view to discussing it there.

GOLFERS AND THE GAME

Competitive Golf in Winter: Cawder Experiment

London, Dec 4.

Entries closed yesterday for a tournament which may be the forerunner of many one-day competitions to be held in Scotland in the winter months. At the comparatively new course at Cawder on Saturday some of the leading amateurs in the West of Scotland will compete in a stroke event over 18 holes for prizes presented by the club, which, as befits a comparatively new club, is remarkably enterprising in bringing to the notice of the golfing public the real excellences of its course and club-house.

Not since the Glasgow Championship on the first Saturday in September, and in a lesser degree, the Scottish Foursomes Tournament later in that month, have we had an opportunity of seeing the leading amateurs in action, so there should be considerable interest in their performances on Saturday, even although many of them cannot have handled a club, except in the forbidden sphere of their own bedrooms, for several weeks.

Much will depend on Saturday's weather. If it is a wild day like last Saturday, I fancy the chief question will be a weariness of the flesh for all concerned, for Cawder is no pitch-and-putt course, but a very stern test of all that is best in a golfer. It demands long and accurate hitting from the tee, many long second shots, and stamina beyond the ordinary.

TUESDAY'S QUOTATIONS

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Winning Score?

It must play at the present time quite as long as any course in the district, so we need not expect to see some one win with a score in the 60's or even in the low 70's.

I should not be at all surprised if a score of 75 is good length to lead the field, even if the weather is genial and the field does include players of the calibre of J. Lindsay and S. L. M'Kinlay, the Internationalists; Donald Cameron, winner of the Edward Trophy; E. D. Hamilton, D. M'Bride, G. Patrick, and A. W. M. Watson, who this week received his prize for being runner-up to Hector Thomson in the Glasgow Championship.

Unfortunately, neither Hector Thomson nor Jack M'Lean is competing. The Scottish and Irish Champion has played very little golf since he returned from Portrush, where he won his second great duel with M'Lean, and not until the beginning of next year will he begin again the intensive training which brought him so convincingly to the fore in the past season.

M'Lean has returned from his enforced rest at Lamlash very much fitter than he has been all year; and he is playing just as well as ever.

Long and Straight

I had the good fortune to play with him at Gailes on Saturday, and, despite—or because of—the vile weather, it was impossible not to admire his golf.

I verily believe that he is now definitely longer than he has ever been before. A new driver which he has thoroughly broken in at Lamlash has immensely helped his tee shots, which, apart from an occasional and excusable hook, were really long and as straight as need be.

I shall not be at all surprised if next year he is a greater power in the golfing land than ever he was before. He is, I think, quite determined to play in the Walker Cup match at Pine Valley next September, and he will spare no effort so to perfect his game that the selectors will have to choose him on the strength of his performances next season.

Those golfers who have a wholesome respect for the traditions of the game will welcome the publication of "Rules of the Ten Oldest Golf Club ("Golf Monthly": 7s 6d net) which have been compiled with an excellent introduction by Mr. C. B. Clapcott. This is a book for the golfer's library, to be browsed over in the long winter evenings when golf is but a summer memory.

The clubs whose rules are published in this beautifully printed volume are:—

The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.
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Crail Golfing Society.
The Glasgow Golf Club.
Royal Blackheath Golf Club.
Burntisland Golf Club.
Royal Musselburgh Golf Club.
The Thistle Golf Club (Edinburgh)
The Royal Perth Golfing Society

It will be noticed that there are 11 clubs in the list, for the Royal and Ancient Club is treated, as befits the dignity of the premier club, separately, and three issues of its rules, for the year 1858, 1875, and 1888, are given in the volume. To the other clubs I have given the names by which they are now known.

From Aberdeen

The modern golfer will find much that is instructive and amusing in this compilation of the rules of long ago. For example, who would have thought that careful Aberdeen golfers in 1783 would have introduced the rule that five minutes is all the time that should be allowed for searching for a lost ball—unless it be that time was more valuable in Aberdeen than elsewhere or that the members had many visitors from whom in this way they extracted some sort of green fee?

Rule XXIII, of the "Aberdeen Club might also be used as a jibe at the traditional habits of the keen men of Buchan—"It is understood that partners may consult with, and give verbal directions to, one another; how to play, but nothing further."

The Glasgow Golf Club adopted the 1809 rules of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, but with certain modifications referring very properly to etiquette and club regulations.

Rule 19 is a gem—"When a match is made there shall be a forfeit of a bottle of rum each if it is not played." And there is the delightfully simple definition of a player as one "who has played twice during the season."

In Rule 21 such "players" are enjoined to "make a match on the day when the club is played for (the silver trophy, I presume) and play for it under the penalty of a bottle of rum." The steward of the Glasgow Club in these days must have been a veritable Long John Silver.

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CAR DRIVER'S RECKLESSNESS

THREE YEARS FOR LUIS FONTES FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Black As Murder

Luis Fontes, 22, the racing motorist, was sentenced, at Warwick Assizes to three year's penal servitude for manslaughter. His licence was suspended for ten years from the date of his release, and he was ordered to pay the cost of the prosecution at both the police court and the assizes.

Fontes was charged with the man-slaughter of Reginald Francis Mordike, at Coleshill, on October 6.

Mr. Justice Du Parcq said it was the worst case he had ever known. Fontes had "behaved with wicked recklessness, for which the only excuse that could be offered was that he was drunk."

The judge added that if he had not thought that Fontes was drunk he would say that the cases was almost as black as murder, for any reasonable person behaving as Fontes behaved would have known it was almost inevitable that someone would be killed.

Mr. A. P. Marshall, for the prosecution, said that Fontes's course on the day of the tragedy had been traced for a distance of nine miles. There had been evidence at different points that he was driving at a recklessly high speed, sometimes on the wrong side of the road; that he drove with complete disregard of the safety of other road-users; and that he was so much under the influence of drink as not to have full control of the car.

It was alleged that Fontes was racing with another car, and another car was forced to go on the grass verge. Behind this car were two motor-cyclists, one of whom was Mordike. Fontes's car, travelling very fast, collided head-on with Mordike and knocked him off his machine. Mordike died the next day.

SWITCHED ON WIRELESS

Neither Fontes's car nor the other car stopped, but further on they were held up by traffic. Then Fontes drove to a garage and told a garage man to put right his front tyre, which was deflated.

Fontes did not get out, but sat back and switched on the wireless. He was drowsy and did not realize what was going on around him. Subsequently doctors certified him as being under the influence of drink.

To a police officer he said, "I struck the motor-cyclist. The motor-cyclist struck me. It is fifty-fifty. It serves the cyclist right." Drink was found in the car.

Police-Supt. Horsman said there was a number of convictions against Fontes, four being for careless driving, when he was fined £5, and several for minor offences.

Mr. Justice Du Parcq: Somebody thought that if a young man drives to the danger of the public and has plenty of money it is a sufficient punishment to fine him £5.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, defending, said that Fontes had the misfortune to lose his father when aged four, and consequently had not had that guidance which most young men had. The explanation of the case was that Fontes had too much drink. If some sensible person had stopped Fontes from getting into his car the tragedy would never have occurred.

On May 7 last, Fontes won the Jubilee International Trophy race at Brooklands, and in the following month, with J. S. Hindmarsh, he won the 24 hours Le Mans Grand Prix. In August he won the 153 miles circuit race through the streets of Limerick. In 1934 Fontes obtained his air pilot's licence, and took part in the King's Cup Race last September.

ALLEGED $40,000 FRAUD REVEALED AS "JOSS" FAILS

DEATH OR RICHES PROMISED BY MYSTERIOUS ONE

Spirit Writing Makes Youth Pay And Pay

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

Plain crookedness and a spot of black magic enabled a shrewd man from Pootung to defraud a superstitious Shanghai student of approximately $40,000 during the last few months, but the alertness of the Municipal Police resulted in the recovery of three-quarters of the alleged loot over the week-end.

The almost incredible facts were revealed yesterday, when it was learned that the perpetrator of the fraud had been arrested and would be brought before the First Special District Court to-day. At the same time detectives attached to Central Police Station discovered bank deposit books into which the accused, it is alleged, had put about $30,000 of his plunder.

It was when the victim, Tzi Ying-ding, 17 years old, a student residing in An Zung Ka, Nantao, started to take automobile driving lessons last July that he became the alleged victim of a swindler. The man who was arrested on Saturday offered his services as an instructor and supplemented his practical lessons with a bit of supernatural guidance as he apparently had good connections in the spirit world.

DEATH PREDICTED

It is alleged that Ku, the driving teacher, sent an agent to Tzi's house and learned that Tzi's mother was on her death-bed. It is further said that he used this knowledge to read future events from Tzi's face and predicted the death of Tzi's mother "very soon." When the mother died within ten days the young student was greatly impressed. The next move was to predict Tzi's own death. That could be plainly read in his features and it was inevitable unless certain highly-placed monks were approached and persuaded to make certain joss. But having expensive monks do elaborate joss, of course cost money. First it was $100, then $2,000 and then larger amounts. Young Tzi scraped everything together that he could beg or borrow from well-to-do relatives.

TRIES GOLD BAR EXCHANGE

Subsequently Tzi was induced to try his luck on the gold bar exchange. He lost several times, but was then persuaded to risk larger investments in order to recoup his losses. One day he was shown a piece of red paper. A joss stick was produced and burned over the paper. Then the ashes of the joss stick were rubbed over the surface. And lo and behold! writing appeared—Chinese characters which conveyed a very definite message.

"Procure $20,000 at once and for your devotion in worshipping me I shall reward you with $2,000,000 inside 49 days," it said and then added ominously:—"If you fail to do this, you will regret it!"

Young Tzi, it is alleged, obtained cheques from his father, totalling about $15,000 and handed them over. And when the Mysterious One failed to make good his promise he at last confided in the Police. As a result Ku was arrested and $30,000 in alleged loot recovered.

"ACTION MUST NOW BE TAKEN"

Whatever our opinions may be on the majority decision of the League Assembly to support sanctions (or reprisals against Italy, we in England says "The Daily Mirror" can surely agree on three points:—

(1) That the maintenance of peace—or the restoration of peace—ought to be "the first objective of British foreign policy." For war, in the just words spoken by Mr. Eden at Geneva yesterday, is a "callous anachronism."

(2) That such sanctions as may be applied in consequence of the League's decision should be applied promptly, so that they may not be mocked by their own futility. "Action," to quote Mr Eden again, "must now be taken." It was high time!

(3) If action is taken, it becomes the duty of our people to support the Government in that policy which apparently commands the assent of a large majority in every political party—the doubters, strangely enough, being mainly amongst the customary supporters of the Government; the official Opposition being on the Government's side.

The other doubters (ourselves included) must "wait and see" whether doubt was just—whether it is indeed possible to control the aggressor without increasing the economic turmoil precipitated by the "callous anachronism" of this latest "little" war.

HERE AND THERE

Little Items Of Interest

The Duke of Montrose, who wears the kilt in kirk even when acting as an elder, says he has "sat under" a kilted minister. Not many ministers nowadays appear in "the garb of old Gaul," though the Rev. Neil Ross (this is a "W. N." impression), who was a prominent figure at the Gaelic Mod in Edinburgh, sported his clan tartan in jaunty fashion. If the clergy who could did take to the kilt wouldn't make for brighter and more colourful General Assemblies, and a brave show in the procession from St. Giles' to the Assembly Hall?

STATISTIC

It is estimated that if one specimen of every leaflet, pamphlet, or booklet which is distributed at the Glasgow Kelvin Housing Exhibition were to be laid, end to end, along Sauchiehall Street there would be a perfect howl of protest from the anti-litter enthusiasts.

PICTURES FOR THE QUEEN MARY

At the Picture Hire Gallery in Brook Street, London, where he has staged an exhibition, I met Mr. Cedric Morris, the Welsh painter (writes my London gossip). Mr. Morris has just been commissioned to paint two large flower panels for one of the first class saloons of the liner Queen Mary. He tells me they have to be ready by Christmas, and he is wondering where he is to find floral grandeur at this season for a model which will let him do justice to his order. But his excellent show of newly painted landscapes suggests that this difficulty need not bother him overmuch.

THE LONGEST

Ringing up New York is almost a commonplace thing nowadays, even at £2 a minute, and conversations costing £100 are by no means rare. But I have often wondered what is the longest commercial telephone call on record. A telephone man tells me that the longest one known took place in June of this year, when a subscriber in Sydney spoke to another in Los Angeles, their voices travelling a distance of 20,091 miles.

UNIQUE

The most unusual call recorded was an experimental one between the steamship Majestic on the high seas and an aeroplane flying at a height of 4000 feet above Buenos Aires. Communication was established in this instance by linking the ship to London, then to Buenos Aires via Madrid.

MR. THOMAS MARLOWE

Editorship Of The "Daily Mail"

Mr. Thomas Marlowe, whose death occurred on December 5, was born on March 18, 1868, and belonged to the dwindling band of notable journalists who obtained their opportunity from the initiative of the late T. P. O'Connor and the aggressive enterprise of Lord Northcliffe. Tabloid journalism, dependent for its effect upon headlines, was perhaps no new thing in this country when T. P. O'Connor founded the "Star," which presently gathered round it a number of young men, all of whom, like Ernest Parke, Robert Donald, Massingham, and Spencer Leigh Hughes, were to play a big part in the London newspaper world during the first quarter of the present century. Thomas Marlowe, a young Portsmouth-born Irishman, new in London with his aspirations to a medical career left behind him, was among their number. It is true that he had had journalistic experience in Dublin and Manchester (both of which cities he seems to have disliked), before his experience on the London half-penny Press and his friendship with Kennedy Jones brought him into contact with Alfred Harmsworth.

But the passing of the London "Evening News" into the hands of the Harmsworth brothers, and its immediate jump into prosperity, brought Marlowe his first chance with the proprietors whom he was to serve through the bulk of his long working life. He became first a reporter, and then news editor of that paper, and in October, 1891, at the age of 21, he was made managing editor of the not long founded and highly successful "Daily Mail." About three years later the proprietor publicly referred to his young lieutenant as the editor of the "Daily Mail;" and that position Thomas Marlowe held, both in substance and in name, for more than 25 years.

Those who knew Lord Northcliffe, either directly or by repute, can well believe that Marlowe's task was no sinecure, but the two men worked well together. Marlowe, like his chief, was a man of emphatic views, with a clear appreciation of the need of emphasis in popular journalism. And he was, moreover, a man who read and thought much, so that many of his conclusions, which seemed at first sight to be merely part of the daily ephemera of the prolific Press, were proved by time to be deep and sagacious. Combativeness in the conduct of his task he regarded as axiomatic. "When you see a head, hit it," was a favourite phrase with him; also "Never trail your coat," an indication, perhaps, of his belief that if you showed your own head, it would get hit.

Lord Northcliffe's appreciation of his editor is given in the little account written by him of (The Rise of the "Daily Mail"):—

"It would be impossible in this history of the 'Daily Mail' to give a list of those who helped me in establishing this newspaper. Editorially, almost from the beginning, the daily responsibility—and the responsibility of issuing so many editions of the Daily Mail—has indeed been a great one—has been in the hands of Mr. Thomas Marlowe. His grasp of world affairs, his presentation of opinion, his happy sense of variety you may witness every morning when you open your paper. Widely read, widely travelled, Mr. Marlowe has that mixture of English and Irish in him that gives both force and variety."

In his dealings with his staff Marlowe was just and direct, and very human. He had had his fair share of the vicissitudes of journalistic life, at any rate in the early days, and never forgot the shadows that overhung the less fortunate. Outside his office one might quickly discern his genial and kindly nature. He loved to give hospitality, and took pleasure in the society of his friends—a pleasure unhappily more and more limited in later years by increasing deafness. All who had the privilege of seeing him in his home life will cherish the remembrance of the unfailing warmth of welcome extended to them by him and Mrs. Marlowe. The death of their two elder sons—the first in a motor accident before the War, the other after gallant service in France—left a wound from which he never recovered.

Mr. Marlowe was the second daughter of the late John Morrison Davidson, a barrister well-known at one time as a writer and public speaker. There are four daughters and two sons surviving.

As another means of raising money, the East Hopei Autonomy Council is reported by the "Sinwenpao" to have decided to introduce a "tax on waitresses" at Tangshan. The rate of the new tax is reported to be $4 per head per month. The waitresses of Tangshan, says the telegram to the "Sinwenpao," are unanimously opposed to the new tax and have lodged a strong protest against its introduction.

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CHINESE ART TREASURES

COMPLEMENTARY TO EUROPEAN

A Revelation To Britain

A luncheon was given yesterday at Prince's Restaurant by the Royal Central Asian Society in honour of the International Exhibition of Chinese Art. Lord Allenby, the president of the society, presided, and the Crown Prince of Sweden was among those present.

Mr. Laurence Binyon, proposing the toast of the exhibition, said the exhibition was already a revelation to the English public, as to Europe, of the beauty, variety, and distinction of the art of China. It was a revelation because this art had been so imperfectly known or understood, and because no such array of choice works of Chinese art had ever been brought together. Yet let them not forget that this country was by no means without treasures of the kind.

Many of the very finest things exhibited—bronzes, jades, goldwork, sculpture, paintings, ceramics—were from the Eumorfopoulos collection. Now that this superb collection had been added to the already rich Chinese collections in our two great national museums, we might pride ourselves on the fact that even when the precious loans from other countries had gone back to their owners next spring, there would still be in London a representation of Chinese art surpassing any collection in Europe.

But he must also remind them that though Mr. Eumorfopoulos parted with his collection to the nation, which he had already enriched with magnificent gifts, at a price far below its real value, only half of the purchase money had been paid. There was still to pay what, if it were for an engine of destruction and slaughter, would be accounted a trifle, but since it was only for the delight and instruction of future generations was considered a rather formidable sum. He hoped that the exhibition might prove the occasion of this country's marking its appreciation of the genius and civilization of China by completing the purchase. The Director of the British Museum had told him that day that the Goldsmiths' Company had agreed to contribute £1,000.

A COMPLEMENTARY ART

When the project which some of them had so much at heart—a great museum of Asiatic art in London, formed of the vast but scattered collections already in our museums—was realized it would be seen how central and pre-eminent in Asia was the art of China. Its tradition was the longest, its influence the widest. Chinese art might be said to be the complement of the art of Europe. That was a great part of its charm and value to us. It was not just another art: it was the expression of another philosophy of life. It opened windows for our minds. We were brought to see things from a fresh angle, and to discover that there were things which we ourselves had not discovered. We did not need to depreciate the West in order to appreciate the East; but Chinese art, which might stand as the chief representative of the art of Asia, refreshed and enlarged our conception of what art was and of its relation to life.

What was it we could learn from Chinese art and genius? When one thought of European painting and called up the long array of its masterpieces, how great a part seemed to be played in it by the element of portraiture—portraiture of men and women and also of the things and the places belonging to them; how dominant was the pride of life, the assertion of personality, the splendour of human activity and enterprise.

Portraiture in our sense was little cultivated in China. But there came into his mind a certain portrait, that of Wang Wei, famous poet and painter of the eighth century. He chose to be painted with his back to the spectator, sitting in a chair and contemplating the landscape. How characteristic that was—how symbolic. Let them think of our illustrated papers. Which of the famous or ephemerally eminent would choose to be portrayed like that?

But there was the secret of Chinese art. There the eyes of men were turned outward to the beauty and vastness of Nature. We cultivated the body and brain—usually one at the expense of the other—but so largely we failed to cultivate the human spirit as a whole, to bring senses, thought, and feeling into a single harmony; and we failed to see Nature as a whole. Chinese art, whatever its deficiencies from our point of view, did seem to express a saner and serener outlook than ours, a completer vision of life, a vision in which there was no room for our small greed and self-aggrandisement, and in which we realized our true place in the infinitely complex universe.

CHINESE GOOD WILL

The Chinese Ambassador, who replied, said that behind every treasure the Chinese Government had sent to the exhibition they had all the good will of the Chinese nation. That good will, he was glad to know, was abundantly reciprocated in the enthusiasm of the British public's response to the manifestation of China's artistic eminence.

The exhibition was designed to illustrate within the compass of the Royal Academy the continuity of China's cultural development during more than 30 centuries. As their minds travelled from one group of exhibits to another they could see that Chinese artistic traditions were persistent and continuous, and far from static. Above all they came out of the galleries with an impression that these objects of art were, in style, feeling, and sense of form, remarkably modern even to Western eyes.

These cumulative effects were apparent because Chinese art was a mature and vigorous influence and symbolic of the creative force which animated the manifold activities of China's present national reconstruction amid unprecedented difficulties. From the effect of this art they realized that the Chinese were fundamentally a pacific people. It was not in the themes of war and battle that the emotion of the Chinese artist found expression, but he derived his inspiration from the love of humanity, the contemplation of Nature, and an understanding of man's place in the universe. The ideal of peace and virtue was one which China upheld persistently even in the darkest hours of her national history.

FRENCH SCIENTISTS CANCER TREATMENT

THIRTY COMPLETE CURES CLAIMED

Serum To Be Tested By Doctors In London

London, Dec. 7.

A serum which, it is claimed, will cure cancer has been discovered by the French biologist Dr. Louis Revelis and is to be tested by English doctors next week. It is claimed that thirty cancer patients have already been completely cured by the new method, which is enthusiastically endorsed by a number of distinguished French doctors.

Dr. Antoine Pacetti, of Paris, is already in London in connection with the demonstration of the treatment, and he will be joined in a few days by another Paris doctor.

Dr. Pacetti yesterday showed a reporter some of the records of patients treated by the new method, and told how the discovery came to be made. For twenty years, he said, Dr. Revelis has been seeking a remedy for the disease. Now distinguished French physicians are giving testimony to the remarkable success of his method with human patients. These patients have been treated with a crushed solution taken from the marrow of inoculated rabbits, as well as a serum obtained from horses which have received cancer bacteria infections. They have, it is said, been brought back to abundant life after death had threatened them.

"A VERITABLE RESURRECTION"

Dr. Pacetti referred to documents signed by French doctors who described cases they had treated with Dr. Revelis's method. One, detailed by Dr. Frugier, of Paris, said that "one had the impression of witnessing a veritable resurrection" in a 13-year-old girl called Renee who was suffering from conjunctive sarcoma (cancer) of the right thigh. Renee was in a terrible condition, eating little, of waxlike complexion, and in a state of semi-stupor and great pain. She took no interest in anything, and said she knew quite well she was "going to heaven." Dr. Revelis's treatment was applied at once, and after the fifteenth day a very distinct improvement was evident, a decrease of pain, increase of appetite, and better general health. On the thirty-fifth day of treatment a remarkable recession of the tumour became evident. She began to take a new interest in life and to play in her bed.

"It appears," writes Dr. Frugier, that one has the right to regard the child as saved, whereas she had been abandoned by everyone."

Several other cases are quoted, including one described by Dr. A. Le Play, of Paris. Mr. B——, aged 56, discovered in June, 1934, that he had cancer of the oesophagus (gullet). He could only swallow with difficulty and was, in Dr. Le Play's words, "a skeleton, a shadow." Revelis's treatment began on June 3, 1935. After six days a general improvement was noted, and he could swallow normally. He took up his normal life again on June 30 and by July 15 was pronounced cured and "eating everything."

Since May this year Dr. Le Play says he has treated twenty-two cases of various forms of cancer, "all of persons more or less near death and given up by physicians, surgeons, and radiologists."

"I have registered ten cures, or what may for the moment be considered as such," he goes on. "There are nine cases in which a very marked improvement was achieved (still under treatment); three patients were so gravely afflicted by the disease that I could only give them progressive treatment. We have begun, in the same technical category, tuberculosis research work. The results obtained are even more satisfactory. In the near future our work will centre upon leprosy research."

Dr. Le Play emphasises that Revelis has a vaccine that possesses not only preventive but curative qualities.

Dr. Revelis says that his investigations have led him to the conclusion that cancer is caused by microbic elements. He has revealed these not only in the marrow of the bones but also in the tissues and the blood.

"This microbe," he says, "looks like a torpedo with a double shell of wax with pointed ends. Its size depends on its age, and one can easily measure it in the various phases of its development."

The bacillus develops in those parts of the organism known as "spots of least resistance."

EXPERIMENT ON HIMSELF

Reuter's Paris correspondent recalls the recent visit to Paris of Lord Granard, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Cancer Hospital, for the purpose of seeing Dr. Revelis, and says that as a result of these consultations the Cancer Hospital arranged that a French doctor should go to London to treat three patients by the Revelis method.

The Paris message adds that Dr. Revelis carried out his first human experiment on himself. He inoculated germ cultures, and within a few weeks there was a cancerous growth as large as a pea. Two shots of anti-cancer vaccine were then injected into the thumb, with the result that the growth disappeared completely within a fortnight.

Since May of this year, it is stated, prominent French physicians have treated altogether 60 cases by the new method. Almost all the persons thus treated were cases which had been given up as hopeless. It is claimed that 30 complete and certified clinical cures have already been effected, while in the 30 remaining cases progress has been recorded.

Dr. Andre Gourliau, medical director of a leading Paris nursing home, has applied the Revelis method with success to more than twenty varied and advanced cases, including cancer of the stomach.

Experiments will probably be made in the United States as well as in London. Negotiations have been opened with two of America's foremost wealthy philanthropists for the establishment of a special foundation for this application of the new treatment.

M. J. Leurquin, French Consul General in Hankow, has been transferred to Hong Kong and he and Mme. Leurquin will be leaving for the Colony early next month. M. Blondeau will be returning to Hankow from leave as the new

Mrs. G. E. Tucker and her youngest daughter, Pat, have arrived in Peiping from Shanghai to spend Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Ferguson. Mr. and Mrs. John Alexander of the British Consulate in Tientsin will also spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. Ferguson.

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"MAGNETOMETER"

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To aid his computations he has perfected a "magnetometer" which instantly records the pulsations of the earth's magnetic field, to which the atmosphere makes corresponding changes twelve days later. It is based on the fact that the relative motions of the sun, moon and earth are irregular, resulting in varying pulls on the earth's magnetic field.

He explained: "That causes the atmosphere, which is like a fluid, to slosh back and forth over the earth just as water will slosh about in a pan when the pan is jarred."

It is based on the fundamental law of physics that when you vary the position of any one of three magnetic poles you vary the field of strength of all of them.

LITTLE SNOW THIS WINTER

He pointed out that the sun, moon and earth form a continually changing triangle: "The moon's orbit is exceedingly irregular; the sun is for ever tugging at the moon, trying to pull it away from the earth; the earth resists the pull of the sun on the moon, and a sort of cosmic war goes on.

"It causes a motion of the earth's whole mass, which in turn makes the atmosphere slosh about. This is the primary cause of the weather."

Mr. Maxwell's magnetometer by which he measures the fluctuations of the earth's magnetic field, consists of a bar iron magnet suspended by a thin wire spring to which is attached a target to reflect light. A microscope aimed at the target discloses its almost imperceptible movement.

As a result of his studies Mr. Maxwell predicts unusually little snowfall in the United States this winter. "There will be about one month's snowfall, which means two good snows during the winter instead of the normal seven or eight."

He also predicts drought until August for the whole of the Northern hemisphere, with unusually wet [illegible] next August. On charts submitted to the Navy Department he predicted in October the destructive gales which swept the Atlantic seaboard in mid-November.

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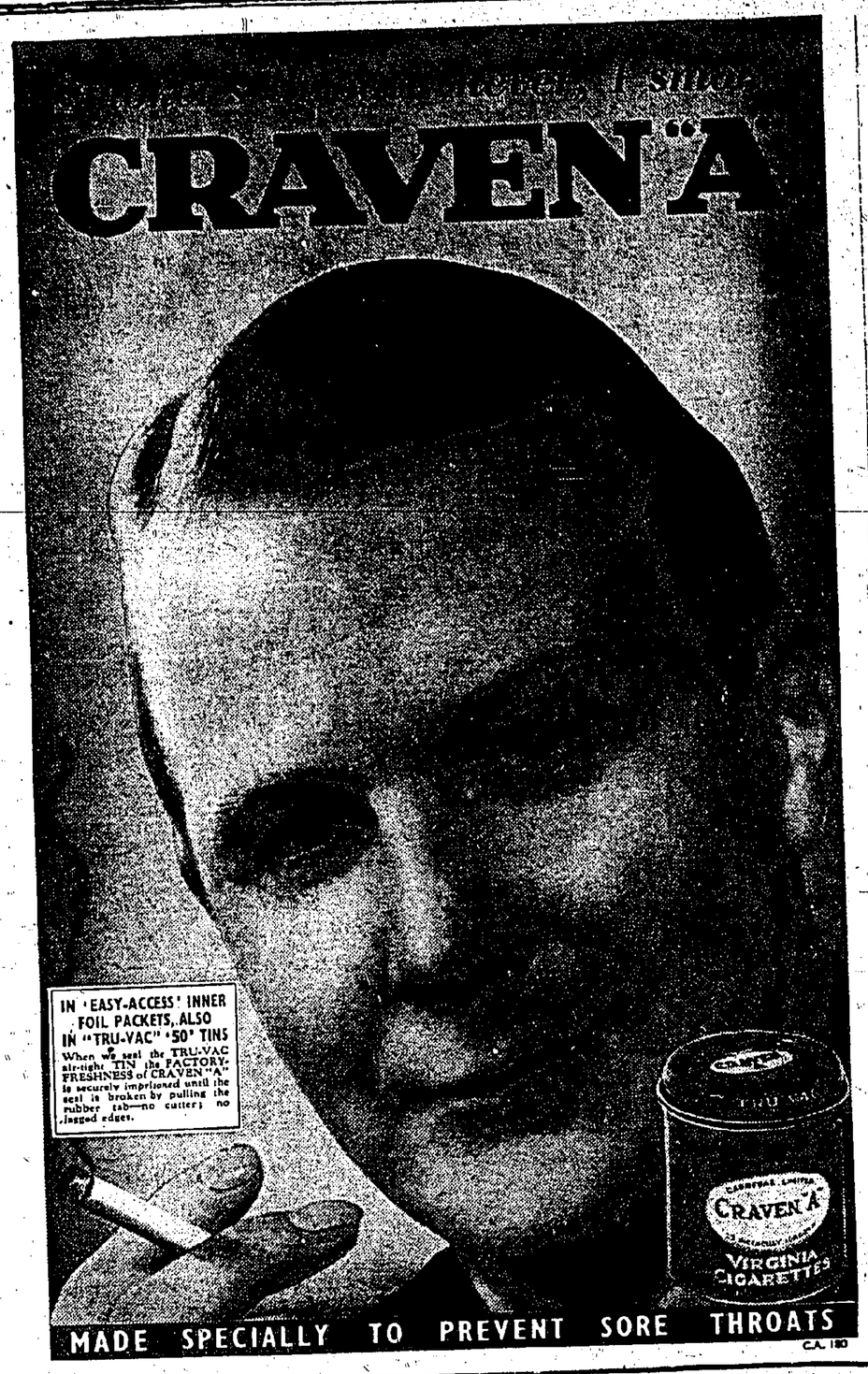

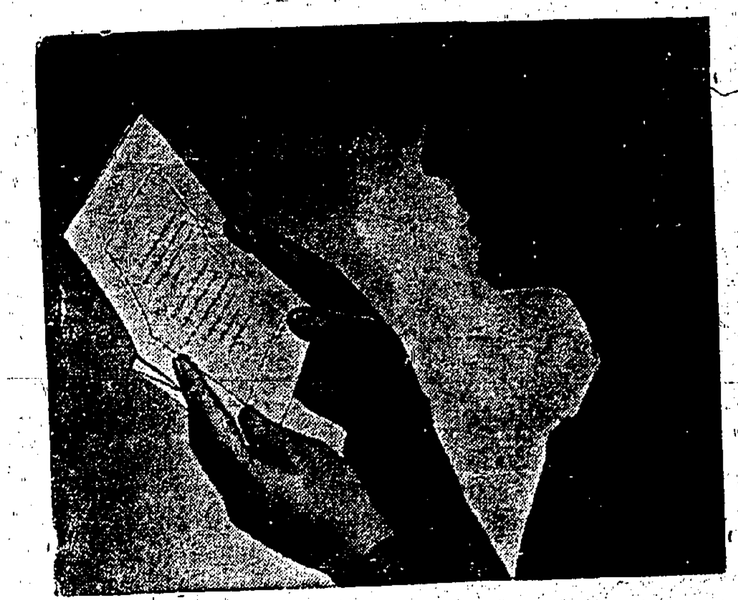

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2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
6 to 6.15 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert.
7 to 11 p.m.—European programme
7 to 7.30 p.m.—

Orchestral Music

Ruins of Athens—Turkish March (Beethoven).
Turkish March (Mozart).
Rosamunde Overture (Schubert).
Le Prince Igor—March (Borodine).
Symphony Antar—Third Movement (Rimsky-Korsakov).
Carissima (Elgar).
Salut D'Amour (Elgar).—New Symphony Orchestra.

7.30 to 7.43 p.m.—

Two Waltzes sung by the B.B.C. Wireless Chorus

1. Wine Women and Song (J. Strauss).
2. Morgenblatter—Morning Papers

7.43 to 8 p.m.—

Song Memories

Songs of Home.
The Gay Nineties—Waltz Medley.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
8.03 to 8.15 p.m.—

Organ Solos by Sydney Gustard

1. Teddy Bear's Picnic.
2. Hermann Lohr Medley.
3. Eric Coates Medley.

8.15 to 8.30 p.m.—

A Relay from Daventry

A Talk by the Director of the Empire Service.

8.30 to 9 p.m.—

Variety Items

Song—I wished on the Moon.—Lanny Ross (Tenor).
Piano Solos—Rumbas on Toast.—Arthur Young and Reginald Foresythe.
Vocal—Old Fashioned Love.—The Mills Brothers.
Song—When I grow too old to dream.—Irene Bunn (Soprano)
Instrumental—An Old Violin.—Albert Sandler with Olive Groves (Soprano).
Orchestra—Old Bohemian Town.
Vocal—Lazybones. — Layton and Johnstone.
Orchestra—Whistling Rufus.
Steamboat Bill.

9 to 9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.15 to 9.40 p.m.—

Musical Comedy Gems

Selection—Tulip Time.
Please Teacher.
Vocal Gems—The Love Parade.
Sunny Side Up.
Orchestra—Musical Comedy Gems

9.40 to 10 p.m.—

Military Band Music

Hyde Park Suite (Jalowicz).
Rakoczy March ("Damnation of Faust") (Berlioz).
Faust Frolics (Gounod).
Carmen Caparice (Bizet).

10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10 to 11 p.m.—Dance music.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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January 2, At 10 P.M. ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

Amongst the items: "Bird Songs" for Soprano, Flute and Chamber Orchestra, by Grete von Zieritz. This is the first performance of a work that will be presented for the first time under regular concert auspices on February 2, 1936, at the State Opera in Dresden. The music of the "Bird Songs" portrays symbolically the emotions of a sad human heart, picturesquely emphasizing the metaphysical element. The fluttering of the birds—their ethereal flight—is heard expressed in the music. A flute solo and the roulades of a soprano give human guise to bird-voices that answer to one another and exchange thoughts. The soft tender tones of which the work is composed give an impression of some unearthly beauty.

There will also be played two well-known works by Richard Straub: "Bürger als Edelmann," an orchestral suite, and the graceful aria of Zerbinetta from "Ariadne auf Naxos."

BERLIN PROGRAMME

January 1, 1936

9 p.m.—DJA, DJN Announcement (Germ., Engl.).
German Folk Song.
Programme Forecast (Germ., Engl.).
Letter Box.
9.15 p.m.—"Again falls Eventide."
Singing by the Hugo Kaun Quartet.
9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
10 p.m.—"In a Brook so Bright and Sparkling."
Agnes v. Spataler sings Songs by Schubert.
10.15 p.m.—Brass Band.
11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA and DJN.
11.30 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m.—At the Turn of the Year.
12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
12.30 a.m.—Close DJA DJN (Germ., Engl.).

January 2, 1936

9 p.m.—DJA, DJN Announcement (Germ., Engl.).
German Folk Song.
Programme Forecast (Germ., Engl.).
9.15 p.m.—Hitler Youth Programme:
A Hitler Youth Celebration.
9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
10 p.m.—Orchestral Concert.
Overture to the Opera by Mozart "The Magic Flute"; "Vogellieder" by Grete von Zieritz; "Musik am Abend" by Paul Graener; Air from "Ariadne auf Naxos" by Richard Strauss; Suite "Bürger als Edelmann" by Richard Strauss. Soloist: Gertrud Langguth (Soprano). Conductor: W. Richter-Reichhelm
11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA and DJN.
11.30 p.m.—To-day in Germany Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m.—Sonata in F minor Op. 120 No. 1 for Clarinet and Piano by Johannes Brahms. Prof. Steinkamp, Prof. Dahlke.
12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
12.30 a.m.—Close DJA DJN (Germ., Engl.).

RADIO MANILA

January 1, 1936

6 p.m.—Sunset Dance Programme by the Lyric Orchestra.
6.30 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.40 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—Dinner Music by the Beramant Trio.
7.25 p.m.—La Insular Cigar and Cigarette Factory presents "Aires Filipinos" with Juan Silos, Jr. and his String Ensemble.
7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia Programme.
8 p.m.—"Apo on the Air," sponsored by the Cebu Portland Cement Company.
8.15 p.m.—Max Lazo and his Hawaiians.
8.30 p.m.—Basque Presentation.
8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations and Local Market Reports.
9 p.m.—The Reptile Store presents Mo and Noa and in "Snake Business."
9.15 p.m.—Tirso Cruz and his Manila Hotel Orchestra.
11 p.m.—Sign off.

January 2, 1936

6 p.m.—Buddy Marks and Rafael Artigas.
6.15 p.m.—Tony's Investments.
6.30 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.40 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—The "Town Crier" presents a Quarter Hour of Melody.
7.15 p.m.—Popular Melodies presented by Jerry and his Romancers Alice Worrick, Ramon Escudero, Johnny Harris and Russ Arañas.
7.30 p.m.—Songs of the Philippines by Abundio Ibañez.
7.45 p.m.—Filipinas Life Assurance Co. Programme (Chain KZEG).
8 p.m.—On Wings of Song with Ramon Alberto.
8.15 p.m.—N.E.P.A. programme.
8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations and Local Market Reports.
9 p.m.—Recital by pupils of Prof. Francisco Buencamino, Sr.
10 p.m.—Dance Music.
10.30 p.m.—Slumber Hour.
11 p.m.—Sign Off.

Mr. Robert Hoffman, landscape architect of Chicago and member of the national parks service of the Department of Interior, has arrived in Japan in the course of a trip around the world to study the landscape gardens and national parks of various nations. After a stay of several weeks in Japan, during which he expects to see a number of famous gardens and national parks, Mr. Hoffman will come to China, go to Malaya, Java, the Philippines, India and then to South Africa and South America. He is to return to the United States next April and will write a series of articles on his travels for American newspapers.

STRIKE DELAYS BERGNER FILM

£2,000 A DAY LOSS TO ELSTREE

Three Big Pictures Held Up

London, Dec. 9.

The making of one Shakespearean and two other important British pictures is being held up as a result of the electricians' strike at Elstree. Since 4 p.m. on Friday there has been no shooting on "As You Like It" (Inter-Allied Film Co.).

"The Marriage of Corbal" (Capitol Film Corpn.).

"Living Dangerously" (British International Pictures).

Conferences between Mr. John Maxwell, chairman of B.I.P., and representatives of the strikers have taken place. It is hoped that work will be in full swing again by noon to-day.

The total loss involved to the three companies has been between £2,000 and £3,000 a day. Carpenters, painters and other technicians have been working on the sets while the electricians were on strike.

The star of "As You Like It" is Elisabeth Bergner, directed by her husband, Dr. Paul Czinner.

Karl Grune is directing "The Marriage of Corbal," featuring Nils Asther, Noah Beery, Hazel Terry and Hugh Sinclair.

"Living Dangerously," adapted from the play, is the first British picture to star the American stage and screen star, Otto Kruger.

British International Pictures, besides being the producers of one of the pictures, are the owners of the studios leased by the other companies. They also own the Welwyn studios, where work has been proceeding without interruption.

NEW AGREEMENT

The strike was originated by the Electrical Trades Union with the idea of speeding up the signing of a new agreement by British International Pictures. The new agreement, for some time under consideration, is substantially the same as the agreement that recently terminated, and it is understood that the company have never intended to reject it.

There was also some fear by a section of the E.T.U. that members of another union, the National Association of Theatrical Employees, would be given their jobs. It is informed that the company never had any intention of making such a move.

Cinema Trade Notice

"LAST OUTPOST"

Savage battles with fanatical Moslems on the Indian North-west Frontier, Herculean railroad building in the Sudan harassed by heat and tribesmen alike, participation in the struggle of the World war are but a few episodes in the life of Captain E. R. John, former officer of the Royal Engineers, which have given him the experience necessary to be known as Hollywood's authority on warfare and customs in Great Britain's Colonies. His film upon which he acted as technical adviser is Paramount's "Last Outpost," opening at the Queen's Theatre to-day, with Cary Grant, Claude Rains, Gertrude Micheal, Kathleen Burke and Colin Tapley. Working on this picture, a romantic story of the dangerous deserts and jungles of Arabia, during the World War, Captain John told of his experiences.

"MAN ON THE FLYING TRAPEZE"

Having made six pictures, with no time off between any of them W. C. Fields definitely is going on a well deserved vacation now that he has completed his latest Paramount Film, "Man On The Flying Trapeze," next main attractin at the Queen's Theatre.

His plans aren't perfected yet, but he hopes to get away for three months. If possible he plans to go to one of the Mexican towns on the Gulf of Mexico, and there while away the hours fishing at sea. He feels that a short layoff will bring him back feeling fit.

In his latest comedy he portrays the part of a submissive, blundering husband constantly henpecked by his wife and mother-in-law.

Hector: Cat About Town
Notorious Gossip

During a promotion examination a nervous subaltern had the demonstration platoon marching away from him in line. The men were heading straight for a river which flanked the parade ground, and under the eagle eye of the examiner the subaltern suddenly became speechless. The situation was too much for the sergeant-instructor, who was standing by. He snapped out in a loud voice: "Say something, sir, if it's only 'Good-bye'."

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A small boy dashed into the room. "Mother!" he cried excitedly, "I've just seen the present Bobby's mother has brought him—it's a new baby."

"How lovely!" returned his mother, who had heard rumours of twins. "Was it just one?"

"Oh, yes, just one. I've seen it lying in the pram. But it's a special sort of baby. It's got a head at each end!"

* * *

The little wife, after giving her man a good dinner, snuggled up to him and whispered:

"Darling, I have news for you. Soon there will be a third in our little home."

His face lit up with joy. "You mean——?" he faltered.

"Yes, dear," she continued. "Mother is coming to live with us."

* * *

The vicar of a country church asked his clerk to give out the following announcement:

"There will be no afternoon service next Sunday, as the vicar is going to officiate for another parson."

Being rather deaf, the clerk misconstrued the message. Imagine the vicar's consternation when he heard, the following announcement made:

"Next Sunday there will be no afternoon service, as the vicar is a-going a-fishing with another parson."

THIS WOULD DRIVE GOLFERS MAD!

London, Dec. 9.

A new golf ball, light, tough and unresponsive, was tested and found wanting in a match at Addington yesterday.

It was designed to reduce length It certainly does, and would kill the game for the majority of players.

It is also most difficult to control accentuating errors. I shudder to think about its antics in a wind.

As Henry Cotton, a spectator, said to me. "Many rabbits would give up the game. It would ruin their pleasure."

Abe Mitchell and Fred Robson, several leading amateurs and Joyce Wethered and Molly Gourlay found 200 yards was a long drive, though there was plenty of run in the ground.

Mitchell could not reach the third, 220 yards. Players needed brassies at the first, 165 yards uphill. Holes of 430 yards were out of reach in two except downwind. Even then the joes was thirty yards per shot.

Most players opposed the idea, including the professionals, but Miss Wethered did find a few kind words for it. But she would play beautifully with anything.

That she mastered this ball is merely proof of her genius.

"CAR 99"

The heroic officers of the law of Karl Detzer's popular Saturday Evening Post short stories of the Michigan State Police are brought to the screen in Paramount's "Car 99," which is now at the STAR Theatre. Fred MacMurray, Sir Guy Standing, Ann Sheridan and William Frawley head the cast.

The plot of "Car 99" is based on four stories, "Hue and Cry," "A Still Small Voice," "One Good Turn" and "He Also Serves," written by Detzer from actual incidents in the experience of this famous motorized anti-crime force.

"Car 99" is the story of a trooper who remains devoted to the force even after he has been discharged for a minor infraction. Torn between love for a woman and a sense of duty, he crashes through when he rounds up the State's most dangerous criminal gang, single-handed.

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STAR THEATRE

NEXT CHANGE

"THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL"

STEAMERS MAROONED IN ICE

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright*).]

Moscow, Dec. 30.

No less than five steamers are frozen fast in the Caspian Sea and are in imminent danger of being crushed by the ice, while the crews totalling 100 are threatened with starvation owing to the food having run out. At first only two small freight steamers were imprisoned by the ice and sent out s.o.s. messages, in answer to which three more powerful ships were dispatched to their assistance, only to become immovably jammed themselves. Even the well-known ice breaker Krassin is menaced with destruction by pack ice in the sea of Okhitsk, where it had been despatched to help the steamer Losovski already held for some weeks in the grip of the ice.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"A Night At The Opera"
QUEEN'S:—
"The Last Outpost"
ORIENTAL:—
"Casino de Paris"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Here Comes The Band"
MAJESTIC:—
"One More Spring"
STAR:—
"Car 99"

Coming

QUEEN'S:—
"Two For To-night"
STAR:—
"The Scarlet Pimpernel"

"HERE COMES THE BAND"

Ted Lewis, high-hatted troubadour and his merry mad musicians, who have established innumerable all-time box office records on their recent tour of the nation's theatres, come to the screen in a blaze of glory in "Here Comes the Band."

Romance is set to melody and mirth rides high on wings of song in this love story set to music, which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer produced as one of its most elaborate extravaganzas, and which comes to the Alhambra on New Year's Day.

One of the most unusual musical features ever attempted in motion pictures is the courtroom sequence, where singing cowboys from the plains, Negro spirituals from below the Mason and Dixon line, hillbillies from the Ozarks, and other singers of American folk songs join in a vocal presentation to establish the rightful ownership of a song "Headin' Home," the key number of the picture, written by Ned Washington.

BEHIND THE SCREEN

It is a well-known fact that titles of Hollywood film productions are changed more often than the proverbial "woman's mind." If we were to search for the reasons why "Love Through the Ages" is changed during its incipiency to "Love for the Next Two Weeks," and then not long after to "The Goldfish Bowl," which is followed in a short time by a newly inspired "final title" —"The Man with the Frozen Whiskers," we would find ourselves on an excursion that would take a lifetime to complete.

However, Hollywood supplies ready answers to our questions. Titles are changed because of copyright laws, legal adjustments with authors, seasonable fashions in titles, whims, censors and hunches.

But none of these formulative answers would fit the case of Charlie Chaplin, even though his newest picture has already received much more than a score of widely mooted titles.

ONLY ONE ANNOUNCED

It doubtless sounds curiously contradictory, but Chaplin, who has been working for more than a year on this carefully planned film, has made no title changes whatever. In fact, he has announced one title, and that one will remain the official name of his film throughout its run.

His new picture is known as "Modern Times." Heretofore it has been officially referred to as "Production No. 5" for the convenience of bookkeepers, electrical technicians, camera crews, Hollywood trade papers and fellow producers of the United Artists Corporation (Chaplin is one of its owners).

Whence, then, came the great number of titles that have appeared from time to time in the press? More than a year ago we read that Chaplin's picture would be called "The Machine Age." A few months later it was called "The Mute." Suddenly thereafter a ran magazine published a hot tip straight from inside the crown of Chaplin's derby. It seems that a hat-check girl saw it there written on a slip of paper. The final title was "The Immigrant."

A DENIAL

Not long after this Chaplin issued a denial. Then there was a new title—then another denial. Recently a well-known writer for a syndicate came out with THE title. He got it straight from the Chaplin tea-leaves. It was "The Masses." Chaplin denied this. The titles came and were displaced. Each observer took a new stance, squinted at Chaplin—and made a guess.

From all over the world came news of Chaplin titles. "Charlot," as Chaplin is known in Spanish-speaking countries, in Italy, France and Egypt, was making "Produccion Numero 5," also known as "El Vagamundo" or "El Meccanico." It was called "The Job Hunter" one week and "Fun in a Factory" the following week. Norway had it tagged as "Little Man" and Sweden called it "Street Waif."

Now we know it was all bunk, except the Chaplin denials. The picture is ready and Chaplin has announced its title. "Modern Times" is the name of his newest picture, and this of course is official.

But those other titles—whence did they come? The answer should be obvious. They were supplied by the public imagination of the entire world, one of the really limitless sources of false rumours!

Hollywood looks askance at the generous titling and retitling which the people and the press of all nations seem so eager to bequeath the new Chaplin production. In this case it would seem that the world has even surpassed the film capital as a rumour-monger.

But what does Chaplin think? Does he complain?

Chaplin, as usual, says nothing.

STRAIGHT FROM HOLLYWOOD

"SCOTTISH" INDIANS

Hollywood has had a tremendous effect on the whole of the world . . . that's a truism. And what it has done to the Red Indian is demonstrated by an occurrence during the making of Paramount's "THE LAST OUTPOST."

Wishing to use, as extras, some of the Red Indians who inhabit Palm Canyon, near the film city, Director Charles Barton sent his assistant over to the reservation to hire a few for the picture.

A long time passed and the assistant director failed to return, so Barton, accompanied by Cary Grant and Claude Rains, his leading man, went over to investigate.

They found that a tribal council had been called by the chief, and that he and his braves in full war-paint were deliberating about their wages. When the council was finally concluded, the chief emerged and stated that they would go to work, but only for "regular 'extra' wages at eight hours a day, with overtime for extra hours worked."

And the chief insisted on calling in a lawyer to draw up a legal document on the matter!

Also in the cast of "THE LAST OUTPOST," which is Paramount's logical successor to the famous "Bengal Lancer," are Gertrude Michael, Kathleen Burke and Colin Tapley.

HUMPHREY COBB

Humphrey Cobb, author of the famous novel, "Paths of Glory," has been signed by Paramount as a scenario writer for Walter Wanger.

Cobb will work on an original idea as his first assignment under his contract.

He is said to have a story quite as unusual as his book—which deals with the tale of a French commanding officer who picks five men from his battalion to be executed without reason as an excuse for his own failure to capture a sector in France.

Humphrey Cobb was an executive in a New York advertising agency before his sudden fame as the author of "Paths of Glory."

ROSES FOR MARLENE.

A modern counterpart to the ancient lotus eaters has just been discovered in Hollywood. She is Marlene Dietrich, who has taken to the eating of tube roses!

Since the star started on Paramount's "DESIRE," in which she co-stars with Gary Cooper, a large bouquet of these roses has been delivered daily to the "set."

Miss Dietrich doesn't exactly devour them, but, pulling the petals one by one, she nibbles on the fringes until the blossom disappears. Other members of the cast of "DESIRE," watching this, have added tube roses to their diet!

ART FOR ART

Art is Art the whole world over, even in Hollywood, and Jan Kiepura certainly told all about it as soon as he arrived there.

Jan is making "GIVE US THIS NIGHT" for Paramount, and is singing three or four songs in his magnificent tenor voice.

Unfortunately, the first line of the first lyric that he was asked to sing in Hollywood was . . . "The Garlic is Strong in Sorrento."

Jan gazed at the officials gathered around to hear his first song, and then spoke.

"I'd rather die than sing about garlic," he said simply.

The whole of the song was dropped from his new film!

MAE WEST MEETS AGAIN

This music hall actress, whose antics Mae West used to mimic when she herself was on the long road to stardom, has been signed up by Paramount.

She is Trixie Friganza, and she will play an important role with Mae West in the Paramount star's forthcoming picture, "KLONDIKE LOU."

ALL GIRLS TOGETHER!

Paramount executives conferred for several days over "THE CHARM SCHOOL," just because of one scene which portrays history's six most beautiful women.

First of all they had to pick the girls, second of all they had to pick the names, and third of all the successful applicants had to fit the dresses created by Travis Banton, Paramount stylist.

Eventually the beautiful women were chosen as Cleopatra, Madame Pompadour, Catherine the Great, Helen of Troy, the Empress Josephine and Camille. The six girls who take these parts are unknown to the stage and screen.

BRITISH ON PARADE.

Paramount British productions have just started at the Imperial Studios, Elstree, "TICKET OF LEAVE," from an original story by Michael Hankinson and Vera Allinson.

The story deals with the adventures of a lady crook's efforts to obtain possession of a famous pearl necklace, and the stars are Dorothy Boyd, George Merritt, and James Clifford. Hankinson is directing.

HALF A DOLLAR A HICCOUGH!

Someone was needed to do off-scene hiccoughing in Paramount's "THE MILKY WAY," starring the famous comedian, Haroid Lloyd.

Immediately all telephone wires buzzed for Ruby Ray, who imitates anything from a bird to an elephant with a bit of artistic whistling thrown in.

Two of Miss Ray's most unusual imitations were done some time ago in Cecil B. DeMille's Paramount picture, "Four Frightened People," in which she did jungle bird sounds, including the Shama bird of India and the Brain Fever Bird, whose shrill whistle drives people mad.

For her services in "THE MILKY WAY," Miss Ray is being paid at the rate of about half a crown a hiccough, including retakes.

Groucho, Chico, Harpo Marx Brothers in the funniest picture, "A Night at the Opera," showing on Wednesday at the King's Theatre

"A NIGHT AT THE OPERA"

Grand opera is simply grand!

But it's the "props" that intrigue the Merry Marx Brothers of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

Director Sam Wood required forty girls for the open scenes in "A Night at the Opera" the riotous new Marx Brothers comedy, currently playing at the King's Theatre.

Harpo got to the casting director first.

Thirty-nine blondes and one red-head reported to the set!

The "anvil chorus" setting has been utilitarian, as well as artistic.

Groucho used the bellows and fire box to prepare his favorite dish—"lamb chops Folies Bergere."

Chico manufactured Navajo jewelry on the anvil.

Harpo has entertained the chorus.

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A PREVIEW

"Broadway Melody Of 1936"

This film is shortly being shown at the King's Theatre and is possibly the most entertaining film ever produced. The music is good, the dancing excellent and the whole performance goes with a swing.

The story has a novel idea of a girl impersonating a famous actress who, in point of fact, does not exist. The players introduced are Eleanor Powell, Buddy and Vilma Ebsen. Robert Taylor as a theatrical producer takes his part very well, so does his snappy secretary, this part being taken by Una Merkel, who is responsible for most of the wisecracks.

Eleanor Powell the leading lady dances to perfection and has a divine figure. June Clyde as the rich widow carries her part well. Jack Benny as the Journal Gossip writer and his pal Sid Silvers are hard to beat for their part in the show.

The ballet dancing was very effective and throughout, the film has a kick in it. We advise the public not to miss this excellent film.

"BROADWAY MELODY OF 1936"

The radio, the stage and the screen were scoured in the search for talent to make the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer musical extravaganza, "Broadway Melody of 1936," which will open on Saturday at the King's Theatre.

Headed by Jack Benny, number one hero of the air waves, the cast of noted entertainers includes: Eleanor Powell, the "world's greatest feminine tap dancer": Robert Taylor, Hollywood's most rapidly rising luminary; popular Una Merkel: June Knight, stage and screen favourite: Nick Long, Jr., world-famous acrobatic dancer: Vilma and Buddy Ebsen, Broadway stage favourites: Robert Wild-hack, the "snore specialist," who created a sensation on the stage and repeated his success on radio: Frances Langford, radio's song-bird: Harry Stockwell, New York singer famous on both stage and on the air and Sid Silvers, "king of the stooges."

For five years M.-G.-M. has been planning a second edition of the screen's most successful musical, "Broadway Melody," but the producing organization was determined that it would not be made until the necessary brilliance of talent was available.

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LATEST "HEARST METROTONE NEWS"

EARTHQUAKES FELT IN GERMANY

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright*).]

Berlin, Dec. 30.

Two earthquake shocks which which were felt in various parts of south western Germany on Monday especially in the Upper Rhine valley, between Karalruhe and Basel, as well as Wuerttemberg, did not result in any accidents or serious damage. The most violent shocks were felt in the town of Pirmasens in the palatinate, where the walls of some of the houses cracked, the windows smashed and furniture upset.

The centre of the earthquake is believed to have been located in the southern part of the Black Forest, which was also the centre of a similar disturbance last February.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

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LONDON CITY NOTES

RECORD BANK DEPOSITS

Larger Tin Quota

London, Dec. 7.

Markets finished the week yesterday with a fair amount of activity and on the whole a good tone. The Gilt-edged market was quieter after its recent energies, and the two new loans closed at ½ discount. The brightest features were in the industrial market, and the successful placing of the shares of Coast Lines, Limited, referred to yesterday stimulated interest in shipping shares. M. Laval's success was followed by a sharp recovery in the franc, both in terms of other gold currencies and to a greater extent in terms of sterling. The cross rate between Paris and New York has fallen to a point at which gold shipments have become unprofitable. The November statements of the London Clearing Banks show that deposits have risen to the fresh high record of £2,039,494,000, an increase over October of £3,820,000. But none of this increase is reflected in the main items on the other side of the balance sheet, for the bill portfolio has been reduced by £3,787,000, the investment holding by £5,843,000, while advances show only a trifling increase. The largest increase is in the cash, which is nearly £10,000,000 higher on the month, and the ratio to deposits, which had fallen to the low level of 10 per cent., is now 10.5 per cent. Money lent in the short-loan market, however, shows increase of over £6,000,000. Striking increases are shown over the figures of a year ago. Thus deposits are £128,384,000 higher; there is an increase in the bill portfolio of over £60,000,000, in investments of over £31,000,000, and in advances of £18,500,000.

CEYLON CONVERSION LOAN

The prospectus is published today of Ceylon Conversion Loan, from which it will be seen that the lists for cash applications will be closed on Monday, but the allotments will not be made until the closing of the conversion lists which is to take place not later than December 14. The total issue consists of £4,500,000 of Three per Cent. Inscribed stock, which is offered at par in the first place to holders of the Ceylon Six per Cent. Inscribed stock, 1936-61, of which £6,212,993 is outstanding. Notice to repay this stock on July 1 next has been given, and already arrangements have been made to convert £200,000 of it in the terms of the prospectus. Cash subscriptions will be received for the new loan to an amount sufficient to make up with the amount issued in conversion the total of £4,500,000. Subscriptions in cash will be payable as to 5 per cent. on application, 20 per cent. on January 6, and 75 per cent. on June 26. A coupon for 8s. per cent. will be payable on July 1. Cash applications for £800,000 of stock have already been received, and this amount will be allotted if the amount issued in conversion leaves so much available. The loan will be redeemed by the operation of a sinking fund of not less than 1 per cent. per annum, which will be formed in this country under the management of the Crown Agents. Half-yearly contributions to this fund will begin on January 1, 1937. Ceylon's public debt amounts to £14,181,769, against which, however, sinking funds have accumulated to the amount of £5,296,987. The finances of Ceylon are in a thriving condition.

TREASURY BILL TENDERS

The reduced demand for bills on the part of the banks usual as the end of the half-year approaches was duly reflected in the results of yesterday's Treasury Bill tenders. The average rate of discount was 13s. 1.53d. per cent. per annum, against 11s. 9.31d. per cent. last week, and it was fully up to market estimates. As usual, the expectation of a higher rate brought in outside applications, and the total amount applied for was £72,625,000, against £63,605,000. Once again the entire £45,000,000 of bills on offer was allotted, and tenders at £99 16s. 8d. for bills to be paid for on any day next week will receive about 40 per cent. of the amounts applied for. New bills to be paid for next week are equal to the maturities, and the same will be true of the following week if the whole £45,000,000 of bills to be offered next Friday are allotted.

TIN QUOTA INCREASED

Opinion on the Metal Exchange yesterday was largely against any change being made in the production quota by the International Tin Committee. Consequently the news from The Hague received in the afternoon that a further increase of 10 per cent. had been recommended, making the production 90 per cent. of standard tonnages, came as a surprise. Thus the afternoon session opened with a decline of 2s. per ton, but after sales of 100 tons, chiefly for three months delivery, the fall was virtually recovered. The decision to make a further increase in the quota, however, appears to conform with necessity, for notwithstanding the increase to 80 per cent. of standard tonnages resolved upon at the October meeting, the scarcity of tin has remained more or less acute. Cash tin is still about £11 per ton dearer than that for delivery three months hence. This margin has persisted in spite of recent arrivals of Banca tin. The smallness of the increase in the total visible supply at the end of November doubtless influenced the committee. The recovery in prices at the close yesterday was probably due to the consideration that fully two months may elapse before any benefit can be derived from the increase in the quota.

IMPRESSIVE MILITARY FUNERAL

Col. Hearle Laid To Rest

FULL HONOURS ACCORDED

Full military honours were accorded to the funeral of the late Col. A. B. Hearle of the Royal Artillery, yesterday, whose death was reported in these columns, on Tuesday. The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery and was very largely attended.

The remains were brought to Gloucester Road in a motor hearse where a gun carriage and a full complement of representatives of the three services were waiting. Among those who were present at the funeral were: Capt. W. J. R. Cragg (representing His Excellency the Governor), H. E. Sir Frederick C. Dreyer, Commander-in-Chief of the China Fleet, H. E. Major General A. W. Bartholomew, the General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, Commodore C. G. Sedgwick, Commodore Attwood, Brigadier Seth Smith, Squadron Leader Keary, Wing Commander Bishop, Col. H. C. Harrison, Col. G. R. V. Steward, Capt. R. L. K. Allen, Col. Bilderbeck, Col. L. C. Lewis, Lt. Col. Carrington Sykes, Commander Orr Ewing, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Capt. T. Addis Martin, Capt. J. Hooper, Major Drennan, Col. E. St. G. Kirke, Major M. F. M. Parkes, Lt. Col. Hindson, Capt. J. D. R. Milne, Col. R. A. Bryden, Lt. Col. C. H. Kuhne, Major Rodwell, Mr. H. J. Cruttwell (representing The Hon. Sir Thomas Southorn), Representatives from the various units stationed in Hong Kong, Indian Army Officers, Naval Officers and many others.

THE MOURNERS

The cortege mounted on a gun carriage drawn by men of the Royal Artillery was preceded by an escort comprising detachments from the Royal Navy, Royal Artillery, 2nd Battalion the East Lancs. Regiment, and Royal Air Force under the command of Lieut. Col. Marsh. The Band and Drums of the East Lancs. Regiment followed with a Firing party consisting of one Sergeant, one Bombardier and 12 men from the 24th (H) R.A. which also included trumpeteers from the Hong Kong Singapore R.A.

As the cortege moved slowly along Gloucester Road followed by the following mourners: Miss Joan Hearle (daughter), Lt. Col. Carrington-Sykes, Capt. J. Hooper, Major Drennan, Lt. Col. Wilson, the Band of the East Lancashire struck up the strains of the funeral march and as the procession slowly wended its way to the Cemetery by way of Gloucester Road, Tin Lok Lane and Wong Nei Chong Road a large crowd of spectators lined the routes standing at attention as the cortege passed.

At the Cemetery the coffin was met at the gate by the Rev. G. H. Bateman, M.A., S.C.F. China Command and Rev. H. C. Davies, M.C.M.A.C.F.

The funeral rites were performed by Rev. Bateman assisted by the Rev. Davies. Though simple the service was impressive and as the Padre uttered the last sentence the firing party fired three volleys after which the Trumpeteers from the Hong Kong Singapore R.A. sounded the "last post" and "Reveille."

The following were the pall bearers: Capt. Morris, R.M., Col. Steward, Col. Morris, Col. Harrison, Col. Kirke, Col. Bilderbeck, Col. Lewis, Mr. R. H. King, Lt. Col. Blake and Wing Commander Bishop.

FLORAL TRIBUTES

Included in the large profusion of wreaths was one from "Nora to my darling Basset" others were from:

Duncan and Joan, Nigel and Rosemary, His Excellency Sir Andrew Caldecott, Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, His Excellency Major-General and Mrs. A. W. Bartholomew and A.D.C., Sir Thomas and Lady Southorn, Brigadier and Mrs. H. G. Seth-Smith, Major and Mrs. H. M. J. McIntyre, Lt. Col. and Mrs. H. M. Fordham, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Hindson, Major and Mrs. F. L. L. F. Roupell, R.A., Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bailey, Lt. Col. D. C. Wilson, D.S.O., R.A., and Officers, H.K. Brigade, H.K.S.R.A., Col. and Mrs. H. C. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. G. Malcolm, Lt. Col. and Mrs. D. C. Wilson, Col. and Mrs. Bilderbeck, Captain and Mrs. K. W. Maurice-Jones, Lt. Col. R. E. Hindson, R.W.F., Mr. T. Addis Martin and All Members of the Battery, H.K.V.D.C., Captain and Mrs. Lionel Walch and Joy, Captain and Mrs. G. W. P. Kimm, Major and Mrs. J. S. Drennan, Major and Mrs. H. M. J. McIntyre, R.A., Mr. and Mrs. E. Cock, Captain and Mrs. J. Hooper, Lt. Col. and Mrs. A. P. D. Whitaker, Lt. Col. D. St. J. Baxter, O.B.E., and the Officers of the 1st Bn. 6th Punjab Regiment, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Carrington-Sykes.

Col. R. A. Bryden, D.S.O., and Officers of the Royal Army Medical Corps, Lt. Col. and Mrs. M. J. Williamson, Col. and Mrs. J. W. Morris, Major and Mrs. N. C. Parkes, R.A., Mr. and Mrs. P. Douglas Wilson.

The Commodore, Hong Kong and Staff, The "Hong Kong Daily Press, Limited," The Hong Kong Signal Section, The Officers, Hong Kong Brigade, H.K.S.R.A., Other Ranks, Royal Army Service Corps, O.C. and Officers, 20th Heavy Battery, R.A., All Ranks, 7th A.A. Battery, R.A., Members of the Royal Artillery Association, Hong Kong Branch, All Ranks, 2nd East Lancashire Regiment, The A.D.S.T. and Officers, The Royal Army Service Corps, The Financial Adviser and His Staff, Officers, Warrant Officers, N.C.O.s and Men, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, Members, R.A. Sergts'. Station Mess, Kowloon.

The Captain and Officers of H.M.S. "Kent," C.R.A.'s Clerks, All Ranks, 27th Coy., Royal Army Medical Corps, The Royal Engineers, W.O.s and Sergeants, The Royal Welch Fusiliers, The Commanding Officer and Officers of the Royal Air Force, All Ranks of the Lincolnshire Regiment, Masters, Gunners, Royal Artillery, The Officers of the 1st Lincolnshire Regiment.

Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and Officers, H.K.V.D.C., Members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Mess, Members of the Royal Artillery Sergeants' Mess, Stonecutters Island, Members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Mess, Stonecutters Island, All Ranks, H.K. Brigade, H.K.V.D.C., O.C. and Officers, 24th (H) Battery, R.A., The Officers of the Royal Artillery, Lyemun, All Ranks, 9th A.A. Battery, R.A., All Ranks, 12th Heavy Battery, R.A., Members of the Sergeants' Mess, 2nd East Lancashire Regiment.

The Royal Signals, Hong Kong, Royal Army Chaplains Department, Hong Kong, D.C.'s Officers, 12th (H) Battery, R.A., Mr. Grace M. James, The Headquarters Staff of the British Troops in China, All Ranks, 20th (H) Battery, R.A., Members of the R.A. Sergeants' Mess, Lyemun, Officers and Other Ranks Det., R.A.P.C., Other Ranks, 24th (H) Battery, R.A., The Officer Commanding and All Ranks, 1st Battalion, The Royal Ulsters Rifles, The Officers, 2nd East Lancashire Regiment, The Officers of the Royal Engineers and The Warrant Officers and Seniors N.C.O.'s Royal Engineers.

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Ex-Rector Claims Damages

ALLEGATION HE WAS FALSELY IMPRISONED

Harold Francis Davidson, ex-Rector of Stiffkey brought an action at the Manchester Assizes last month for false imprisonment against Blackpool Corporation. The case was a sequel to a recent prosecution.

In his statement of claim, Mr. Davidson who was described as an entertainer and lecturer, alleged that on August 3 the Corporation maliciously and without reasonable cause brought a charge against him, alleging that while exhibiting himself at Blackpool he attempted to kill himself by fasting. A warrant was issued, and he was arrested being imprisoned at the Central Police Court, and released on bail on August 5.

He was later committed for trial at Preston, which he was found not guilty and discharged. It was alleged that the charge was a false one and that he was falsely imprisoned.

In their defence the Corporation deny that their servants or agents acted maliciously or without reasonable cause.

Mr. B. F. Hemmerde, K.C., in his opening statement, referred to the case in 1932 when certain charges were made against Mr. Davidson at a Consistory Court and on which he was found guilty.

He was, made liable, for costs amounting to about £8,000.

Mr. Hemmerde said that Mr. Davidson accepted an invitation to fast at Blackpool in order to draw attention to his wrongs, and he starved for ten days. But as he failed to induce the Archbishop of Canterbury to investigate the whole case he started another fast on July 25.

Replying to a remark by the judge that it was well known that starvation over a period was beneficial but became dangerous if it went beyond that period, Mr. Hemmerde said that Mr. Davidson did not intend going beyond that period.

Dealing with the special damages, counsel said they included £147, which was the loss of earnings for seven days at 20 guineas a day. When Mr. Davidson was away the receipts at the show that week were £301 although there was nothing to show except Miss Davidson and the pillow on which Mr. Davidson had laid his head.

Sometimes when Mr. Davidson was only lecturing they took the best part of £100 a day in September of that year.

Davidson, in evidence, said he never intended to starve himself to death. It had been decided that on the Monday after the Saturday on which he was arrested he was going to start a new show called the "Wall of Death"—a comedy act. He expected to make £50 a day with this.

GIRLS' PARTY

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday, when the Girls' Guild held their annual X'mas party which was attended by a large number of girls and their friends.

Tea was served during the evening after which the girls enjoyed the evening by playing various games.

New Year Greetings!

At this Season our thoughts revert gratefully to those friends and patrons whose cooperation and loyalty have assisted in our growth and progress. Our sincere wish is that you may enjoy a New Year filled with happiness and great prosperity.

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SANITARY BOARD CEASE TO FUNCTION

Urban Council's Phoenix Rising

WIDER POWERS TO GOVERN

After an existence for over fifty years, the Hong Kong Sanitary Board met for the last time yesterday in the Board Room of the Sanitary Department, Post Office Building, presided over by Mr. W. J. Carrie, Head of the Sanitary Department. Addressing those present, the President said in part that the New Urban Council (which is to supercede the Sanitary Board) would rise phoenix-like from the ashes of the old Board. "The system under which we have worked for many years has now been overhauled; the Board has been expanded, from ten members, four officials and six unofficials into the Urban Council with thirteen members, five officials and eight unofficials, and the law which governs our actions in every way has been revised and brought up to date."

Those present at the meeting included:—

President.—Mr. W. J. Carrie; Vice-President.—Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson; S. C. A.—Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith; M. O. H.—Dr. G. W. Pope; Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo; Mr. F. C. Hall; Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy; Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto; Dr. Li Shu Fan; Secretary.—Mr. C. J. Roe; Asst. Secretary.—Mr. Im Ping-tseung.

After disposing of the routine business before the Board, Mr. Carrie said:

I should now in the ordinary course of events say "Gentlemen, that concludes the business of the Day," but as this is the last Meeting of the Hong Kong Sanitary Board I hope I shall be excused if I defer for a little that concluding sentence.

It is not my intention, however, to sing a swan song or to deliver a funeral oration over the demise of the Sanitary Board for tomorrow from the ashes of the old Board there will arise, phoenix-like, the new Urban Council.

BEEN TWITTED

We have occasionally been twitted over the formality of our meetings and at the apparent lack of business of any interest to the Community. It was even hinted that the first object of a President of his Board was to reach the concluding phrase as quickly as possible, as if we held a fortnightly sweepstake on how short we could make our meetings. I mention this matter only because it has been exercising my mind lately in connection with the formation of the new Council. Briefly the problem is whether it is better to get through the important work entrusted to us expeditiously and quietly by means of several Select Committees or to court publicity and perhaps inspire greater interest in our work from the general public by deferring each decision to be made until our open Statutory fortnightly meetings. That is a question that the new Council must decide.

SELF GOVERNMENT

The Hong Kong Sanitary Board has been in existence for over 50 years. Naturally it has not functioned for that long period without considerable criticism—the criticism has frequently been severe and sometimes bitter, but it was never against the individual members of the Board but against the system under which they had to work. The public of Hong Kong owes a deep debt of gratitude to the many public spirited men who have throughout these years devoted time and energy to the work of the Board. It is perhaps not fully appreciated that on the Board there has, since the year 1900, been an unofficial majority; the Sanitary Board has therefore provided in some measure for self-government in municipal matters.

THE NEW COUNCIL

The system under which we have worked for many years has now been overhauled; the Board has been expanded, from ten members, four officials and six unofficials, and eight unofficials, and the law which governs our actions in every way has been revised and brought up to date.

It is clear therefore that it is the earnest wish of Government and of the public that the Sanitary laws of Hong Kong should continue to be administered by a body in which the unofficial element shall preponderate.

In concluding I cannot avoid being somewhat more personal. I have had the honour of presiding over the Sanitary Board for periods totalling nearly three years and I desire to acknowledge fully the great encouragement and help I have received from all members. There has been criticism and sometimes opposition to the official view, but friendly criticism such as I have received is at all times an inspiration to do better. I hope that such criticism and help will continue under the Urban Council.

MR. M. K. LO'S SPEECH

Rising on behalf of the unofficial members of the Board, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo said:

It is not perhaps sufficiently appreciated by the general public that these fortnightly meetings,—frequently merely formal—are not a true indication of the work performed by this Board, as much of the work is done unostentatiously by circulating files of papers, and by the various Select Committees. But this is not the time nor the occasion to attempt any estimate of the work of this Board. If and when a history of the Hong Kong Sanitary Board is written, it will, I feel sure, make very interesting reading, and in the record of the Board's endeavours and achievements in the general interest of public health since its commencement, I venture to think that due recognition will be accorded to the public services of our predecessors.

I think it will be generally conceded that the experimental effort among the direction of municipal government by investing this Board with an unofficial majority has proved an unquestionable success, and that the unofficial members have always made use of this privilege in the interests of the general public. In this connection, I think I can fairly claim on behalf of my colleagues and myself, that we have endeavoured to follow the high traditions of our predecessors.

You, Sir, have rightly pointed out that there could be no question of singing a "swan song" today, for our activities will, as from to-morrow, be embraced under a wider and more comprehensive Statutory Body to be known as "The Urban Council." But at this, the final meeting of the Sanitary Board, I should like, on behalf of my unofficial colleagues, to say that we part to-day with the pleasantest recollections of the invariable courtesy and consideration shown by successive Heads of this Board, and by the unofficial members, in general, and if I may say so, by yourself in particular.

ROTARY LUNCHEON

No Address Given

There was no address at the meeting of the Rotary Club yesterday. The President (Professor L. Forster) announced that the collection taken at the Christmas Meeting for charitable objects had realised $205, of which $155 had been voted to the Society for the Protection of Children, and $50 to the Aged Women's Home. Amongst the guests welcomed were Dr. Chen, the Chinese Consul-General in Australia, and Mr. Morse, a Past President of the Rotary Club in Seattle.

"RED CAPS"

Military Foot Police

The arrival by the transport Neuralia of a section of Military Foot Police, or "Red Caps," as they are more commonly known, represents an innovation in Hong Kong where the duties of police-soldiers have so far been undertaken by soldiers drawn from serving battalions.

The Red Caps are specially trained for their job at Aldershot and their service consists solely of police duties.

CONGREGATION DAY

AT THE H.K. UNIVERSITY

Sir Thos. Southorn And Dr. Earle Honoured

At the 27th annual Congregation of the University of Hong Kong which will take place at 5 p.m. on Monday, January 6, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, Kt., C.M.G., C.B.E., will confer the degrees of LL.D Honoris Causa, on the Hon. Sir William Thomas Southorn, C.M.G., K.B.E., and Dr. E. G. Earle, who was formerly professor of surgery at the local University.

Light refreshments will be served at the opening of the function, and promptly an hour after which the Congregation ceremony will begin.

Forty-four graduates will be conferred the Bachelor Degrees of Arts, Science, Engineering, Medicine and Surgery.

THE GRADUATES

The Degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery will be conferred upon the following successful graduates:—

Chung Hon-kwan, Ho Suk, Khoo Keng-wah, Lau Yong-boon, Lo Chong-fie, Ng Yeok-kin, Leung Tinsun, Isidoro Olinto Elvino da Sousa, Wei Cheuk-sheng, Wong Shun-fong, Wu Hung-tak and George Young.

The Degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering will be conferred on the following:—

Feng Tze-pei, Fong Ching-see, Nicolas Gorachenko, Ho Shui-lai, Lau Ping-kwong, Lee Zur-dau, Lim Sze-hok, Ng Cheong-ling, Ng Kee-yeow, Ng Shui-hon, Henry Luk Pau, Alberto Carlos Nolasco da Silva, Siu Woon-to, Tan Kia-siu, and Wong Cho-tong.

The Degree of Bachelor of Arts will be conferred on the following:—

Chan Sik-kan, Chan Ye-san, Richard Chan, Cheng Yu-huai, Cheng Yum-ting, Mary Cheung Yuit-wah, Daisy Choa, Choa Wing-ki, John Stephen Ho, Lau Tin-chak, Lim Teng-lim, O Pu Sheung, So Tsang-yee, Phiroze Bejan Tata, Wong Kok-fuan, Wong Sui-kwong and Woo Hon-kong.

CHINESE COUPLES AT THE REGISTRY

Last Wedding Of The Year

The last wedding in the year to be solemnised at the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court, yesterday when Miss Wong Sau-noon became the bride of Mr. Chao Pan-lan, editor of the Wan Kiu Yat Po.

The bride who is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wong Tze-kwei was a student at the Ying Wa Girls' School and is now the Secretary of the International Fine Arts Correspondence Institute. The bridgroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chao Kit-song of Canton.

The bride wore for the occasion a Chinese styled silk gown.

Mr. and Mr. Chao left for Canton by the noon train. On arrival they will pay a visit to the bridegroom's parents and later a reception will be held in their home.

DONATIONS

Fund For Hungry Babies

Contributions received by Lady Southorn on behalf of the Child Protection Society:—

Mrs. Bagram	$25.00
Mrs. H. A. Pearson	5.00
Mrs. C. H. Benson	25.00
Anonymous	2.00
Mrs. Edgar Davidson	10.00
Mrs. T. E. Pearce	10.00
Mrs. A. T. Hamilton	5.00
Mrs. R. Hancock	3.00
Anonymous	5.00
	$90.00
Total amount already received	1091.50
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WHY SCOTLAND REFUSED TO PLAY NEW ZEALAND

Full Story Of The Rupture After 1905 Tour

ALLOWANCES MADE TO PLAYERS

London, Dec 5.

Since the arrival of the New Zealand Rugby football team in this country and the renewal of fixtures with Scotland it has been asked repeatedly what caused the cessation of matches after 1905-6. It was a question of allowances made to players on that tour. This also led to trouble with England, who at that time were solely responsible for the entire arrangements. It is an old story now, but it may be retold.

Towards the end of 1903 Scotland was asked by the English Union to give matches to a team from New Zealand in 1904-5, and at the International Board meeting, held in January, 1904, the Scottish Committee consented to act along with the other Unions and each give New Zealand an international fixture.

Scotland declined, however, to give the financial guarantee asked for, but instead offered to hand over to the New Zealand team the whole net receipts. The proposed visit was subsequently postponed until season 1905-6, and it was eventually arranged to play the New Zealanders in Edinburgh on November 18, 1905, and in Glasgow the following week.

In regard to the financial arrangement, the Scottish secretary wrote—"As we assume that they will be more anxious to see their tour financially successful as far as possible, rather than that they should be entertained, we propose to hand over to them the whole net gate in each case without limit. If they are to be entertained, some limit would necessarily require to be made."

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

In reply to an inquiry by Mr Wray Palliser, the representative of the New Zealand team in this country, the following was despatched—"The committee's intention in regard to gate was to deduct all expenses, including travelling expenses, the idea being that they should not make a farthing out of the match, nor should they lose anything."

It was added that the Scottish Committee had considerable misgivings in having arranged fixtures with New Zealand, as they had received certain confidential information calculated to throw grave doubts on the financial conduct of the game in New Zealand.

After the arrival in this country of the New Zealand team, certain information was asked for from the English Union, and the fact was elicited that when the tour was originally proposed, the English Union had actually been asked to relax their rules in order that payment might be made to the players for "broken time," a request which the English Union unhesitatingly refused.

The English Union, however, made no inquiry as to the status of the players, as they said they did not consider it either right or necessary for them to do so. Scotland were disappointed with this reply, but, nevertheless, felt that under the circumstances their duty was to fulfil their fixtures with New Zealand, which was accordingly done, and the sum of £1710 2s 5d was handed over to the visitors.

BREAK WITH ENGLAND

Colonial tours took up a great deal of the Union's attention for some time afterwards, and the financial side was constantly in the forefront. At the beginning of October, 1907, the English Union were asked to obtain a copy of the financial results of the New Zealand tour, with a detailed list of the money drawn at the gates. Nothing was heard about the matter for a year.

When the information was ultimately received it was seen to include a payment of over £1000 as "daily allowances" to players. The English Union did not disclaim knowledge of or responsibility for these payments, but stated that these were made with their approval. Scotland could not accept the situation in view of the fact that the whole of the expenses of the team were paid.

This led to a breach with England, and here is a copy of the letter sent by the secretary of the Scottish Union—"My committee have now very carefully considered the New Zealand accounts and the correspondence which has passed between us on this subject, and we are unanimously of the opinion that the 'daily allowance' made to the players is directly antagonistic to the true spirit of amateur Rugby football.

"The payment means that, in addition to every possible expense, including uniforms, laundry, entertainments, gratuities, and medical attendance, each player has received at least £1 1s a week in cash for himself, and my committee consider that this payment is tantamount to professionalism in a very insidious form.

"You also state that the Australian team at present in England are received the same allowance, and, that being so, my committee feel that Scotland's refusal to arrange a fixture with them has been fully justified.

"But, apart from all this, my committee view with great dismay your statements that these payments have been made with the approval of the English Union and, while making every allowance for a certain amount of independence on the part of the Colonial Union, we do not forget that the New Zealand and New South Wales Union are members of the English Union, and, as such are certainly under your jurisdiction with regard to their accounts in the same way as any ordinary club.

"Nor do my committee consider that any satisfactory explanation has been given of the extraordinary delay in furnishing the New Zealand accounts to us when your committee must have known, from my previous correspondence at the time of the New Zealanders' visit, of my Union's suspicions—now proved to be well founded.

"My committee further consider that we have distinct grounds for complaint when regard is had to the fact that the English Union evidently knew of these payments being made at the time, yet failed to disclose this fact to the Scottish Union. Had we been aware of such payments we would certainly have declined to play the New Zealand team.

"The position which your committee has taken up on this question of allowances is so directly at variance with our views that it is evident that a grave crisis has been reached in regard to the future of Rugby football in the United Kingdom, and it is my unpleasant duty to inform you that my committee have with much regret unanimously resolved that in the circumstances Scotland cannot play England on March 20 as arranged."

Agreement was ultimately reached in regard to the conduct of future tours and expenses, and they now come under the jurisdiction of the International Board.

"Always The Young"

London, Dec. 10.

A judge said yesterday that it is "always young men" who come before him, charged with reckless driving on the roads.

Don't the young read the newspapers then? Don't they hear about the death-toll?

They do. But it's a happy privilege of youth never to be able to apply any warning or lesson imaginatively to itself. These things happen to other people. So argue the young. Death is far off in nature, believes the dash-ahead young man. And, see, he dashes into Death's arms in the full confidence of that belief.

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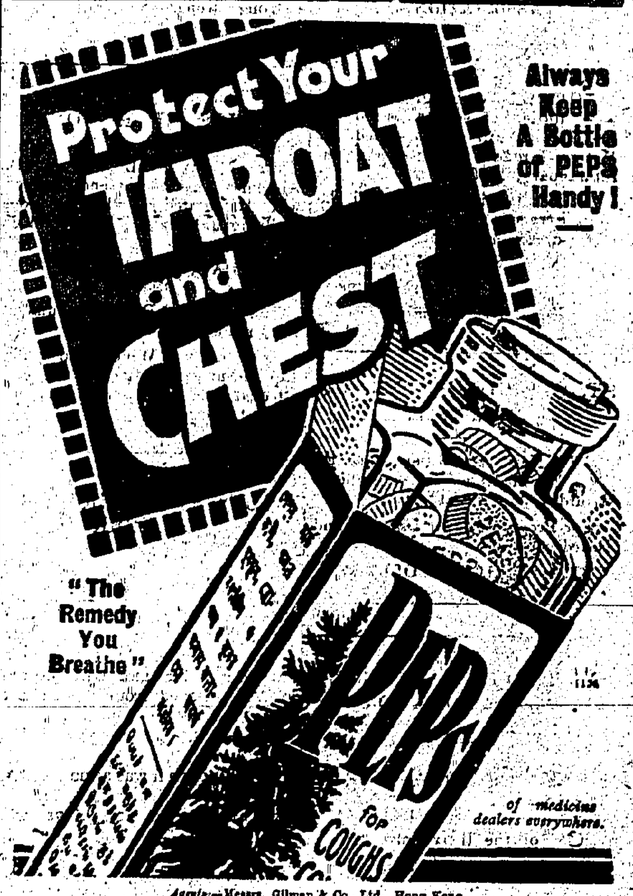

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AS from 1st JANUARY, 1936, the Club Offices will be situate at EXCHANGE BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR.

C. B. BROWN,
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MONDAY, 30TH DECEMBER, 1935.

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ILLNESS OF DUCHESS OF YORK

London, Dec. 31.

The fact that H. R. H. The Duchess of York has been suffering from influenzal pneumonia is announced in a statement signed by Sir John Weir, and Lord Dawson of Penn, issued from the Duke of York's residence.

This is the first intimation that the Duchess has influenzal pneumonia, though it was announced on Dec. 19 that she was confined to her bed for a few days with influenza.

To-day's bulletin adds that the illness is resolving, which indicates that it followed its normal course and has now reached its final stages.

—*Reuter.*

WANG'S CONDITION

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

The Chinese press here this morning give prominence to a report that Wang Ching Wei's condition is not satisfactory. Yesterday he was given blood transfusion amounting to 500 c.c. The physicians attending him have ordered Wang not to receive any visitors.

Wang Ching Wei, was Foreign Minister and concurrently Minister of the Executive Yuan. His life was attempted upon by Chinese pressmen during a conference at Nanking last month.—*Reuter.*

OLYMPIC GAMES RUSH

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright.*)]

Hamburg, Dec. 30.

Unusual interest shown abroad in next year's Olympic Games to be held in Berlin, is evidenced by press reports here on Monday which state that passenger accommodations of the steamers plying between Hamburg and foreign ports have been almost sold out till August 1936.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

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THE YEAR IN RETROSPECT

The year which comes to a close to-day has proved to be the stormiest twelve months that the world has gone through since that dreadful day in August, 1914. There has been a steady race in re-armament, and hardly has a day gone by without whispers of war. No little anxiety was caused early in the year arising out of the Saar Questions. Then tension between Italy and Abyssinia became greater which came to a climax in the present Italo-Ethiopian War, now three months old. The revolution in Greece, although short lived, must nevertheless be included in the list of troubles occurring in the year 1935.

Out here in China, Japanese aggression went on unabated. Quite early in the year there was the bombardment of Chahar, then the Hopei Affair, and hardly had this been settled, another new set of demands were made on China. But before these were met, Japanese policy suddenly underwent a change of front which gave birth to the "Autonomist Movement," and that is still the grave problem with which China is facing.

In the realm of commerce and trade the whole world has suffered. The Colony's trade can truly be said to be the worst since the general strike in 1925, when trade was entirely paralysed. The primary cause of this unfortunate state of affairs was the inflation of the Hong Kong dollar brought about by the United States' silver policy.

The ever-cautious Chinese buyer has become even more careful in his commitments and business is thus confined to supplying his immediate wants and nothing more. Few merchants, if any, have done even as well as in 1929, bad though that year was for the local commercial community. There has been great anxiety for businessmen in 1935, and several serious failures, including two Chinese banks, have been reported. Even at this time, rumour is gaining ground that immediately after the New Year, more firms would go out of business.

The unfortunate feature of the depression of trade in Hong Kong is that it comes at a time when there is a world-wide depression. We are not the only community suffering from this stress of business inactivity. From all directions come tidings of similar dullnes in markets. We are a very small community in the world of commerce and can contribute but little to the restoration of the world's trade to normal. Our trade is guided and regulated by the world's economic situation as much as by the fluctuation of silver. Although the local Government has somewhat belatedly taken steps to control silver, the business market has not so far benefited. Prices in all commodities are going up daily, and shopkeepers are unable as yet to make any adjustment with the result that no large orders have come the importers' way.

The decreased buying power of the people in Hong Kong and South China has let to the public considering price before quality, so much so that inferior goods are gradually ousting higher priced articles from the local markets. A case in point is in the piece-goods business where cheaper woollens find a ready market in Hong Kong to the detriment of well tried material of better quality. Competition has become increasingly keen in all directions and the smallest business is eagerly catered for, so that at least there is good service at small cost.

All in all, the outlook for 1936 is certainly not bright, but if the community pull together and work together, there is no reason why it should be any worse than the year that is just coming to a close—a year in which everyone has undergone a period of anxiety and stress.

TRIAL FIXED IN SHANGHAI

"Raven Enterprises" Collapse

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

The trial of Frank Jay Raven and J. Warner Brown on charges of conversion and embezzlement, arising out of the collapse of the "Raven enterprises" last May will open on January 3 in the United States Court for China.

The court action is expected to bring under judicial review the outstanding events leading to the greatest business debacle in the history of the American community of Shanghai.

When, shortly after the closure of the American-Oriental Banking Corporation, the American-Oriental Finance Corporation, and the Raven Trust Company, it became apparent that the assets of the companies would cover only a small portion of the liabilities, indignation in Shanghai began to mount.

Non-Americans who had invested funds in the institution were bitter in their condemnation of American banking methods, and it was immediately apparent that American business prestige had been gravely damaged by the collapse of the enterprises But the antagonism of non-Americans was matched by the bitterness of United States citizens who openly declared that the seeming laxity of government officials, and the absence of effective control by the government of financial companies in China had been partly responsible for the deplorable state in which the Raven companies were found.

The trial of Raven and Brown on January 3 is the American Government's answer to the accusations. The two men stand charged with conversion and embezzlement of fifteen counts, for amounts aggregating more than $60,000 each.—*Union News.*

The "Daily Press" wishes all its readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year. There will be no issue of the "Dail, Press" to-morrow, publication will be resumed on Friday, January 3.

JAPANESE CURRENCY IN SHANGHAI

Chinese Resentment

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

Considerable resentment has been aroused among the Chinese community in consequence of reports that the Japanese residents are planning to circulate Japanese currency in Shanghai.

The Chinese Manufacturers Association telegraphed Dr. Kung Finance Minister, and Mr. Wu Ting Chang, Minister of Industry, urging a strong protest if reports are true.—*Reuter.*

TYPHOON WARNINGS

The following telegrams were received from Manila yesterday, despatched at 3 p.m.—

Typhoon in about 124 degrees Long. E. and 11 degrees Lat. N., moving W.N.W.

Typhoon in about 149 degrees Long. E. and 8 degrees Lat. N., moving W.N.W.

SOVIET-MANCHUKUO FRONTIER

Moscow Dec. 31.

It is officially announced that the Soviet—Manchukuo frontier has been temporarily closed along the River Amur, between Kumar and Pashkovo, and also the passage through Blagoveschensk has been suspended.

It is explained that the step is only a sanitary precaution owing to cases of suspected plague having been reported from the Manchukuo territory adjoining the Soviet frontier.—*Reuter.*

DEATH OF AMERICAN ARMY COMMANDER

San Francisco, Dec. 31.

The death is announced of Lieut.-General Hunter Liggett, commander of the First American Army Corps to France during the World War.—*Reuter.*

SEEING THE OLD YEAR OUT

Rejoicings In Hong Kong

GALA NIGHT EVERYWHERE

Last night residents of all nationalities vied with each other in their different ways of welcoming in the New Year and seeing the old year out. Promptly at midnight, amidst the shrills of the whistles from the ships in harbour, and the booming of the solitary gun, the New Year was heralded, and we join in the unanimous wish that it will bring with it better times and luck for all.

Throughout the streets and quite early in tht evening young ladies and young men were to be seen in all manners of fancy dresses, throwing streamers and confetti about, blowing horns and trumpets and making all kinds of noises. But there was no Aunt Grundy to cast a censorious eye on them. In all probabilities. She was among the throng of merry-makers.

AFTER 5 P.M.

Shortly after five o'clock, when business for the old year closed, throngs of merry makers wended their way to the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel—Hong Kong's most popular rendezvous for dancing and entertainment—where a special treat was in store for them, dished out by those versatile Hollywood entertainers—Cowan and Bailey supported by the ever popular Ted and Evelyn.

In a room tastefully decorated for the occasion, many couples indulged in dancing to the strains of the Hotel band until late in the evening.

The China Emporium dance floor was also well patronized by the dance loving populace of Hong Kong. At night the real fun commenced. Popular hotels and dance halls vied with each other in providing mirth and hilarity. The Hong Kong Hotel was crowded to capacity for the special dance put on where Cowan and Bailey and Ted and his charming dance partner Evelyn repeated the successes they enjoyed earlier in the day at the Tea Dance.

The Peninsula, on the Mainland, attracted a large number of merry-makers, the Rose Room resounding with sounds of gaiety, and was the scene of brilliance.

CARNIVALS

The New Year's Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel lacked none of the brilliance of former carnivals. The hotel, specially decorated with lights, bunting and greenery, attracted about 450 couples to the floor.

While at Happy Valley, the ever popular yearly function at the Craigengower Cricket Club, given by the President, Mr. B. W. Brabury, was well attended, and the New Year was ushered in with customary gusto. The Club needless to say, presented a scene of the utmost conviviality, and was tastefully decorated with greenery.

In spite of the attractions to be found all over the Colony, the watchnight services held at St. Andrew's Church, and the Kowloon Union Church were well attended, while the Rosary Church and the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception also held similar services.

To-day the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club is holding its annual dance in the reading room, when in keeping with its tradition, a good time will be accorded to all comers. In the afternoon, the little ones will come into their own, at a party provided for their special benefit by the Police Recreation Club. A huge Christmas tree, from which an abundance of gifts will "pour forth" as the old saying goes—will provide merriment and happiness for the lucky ones.

Men of the services have not been forgotten. A special social has been organised for their enjoyment by the Cheero Club tonight and a large gathering is expected.

AMONG THE SPORTSMEN

In the world of sports, an excellent game is anticipated between a team from the "Island" against an eleven from the "Mainland" which is scheduled to commence on the Club ground at Happy Valley at 3.30 p.m. this afternoon. Both sides are fully representative of the best talent available on both sides of the harbour, and a grand game, replete with thrills, should be the order of the day.

A glance at the programmes of the picture houses of the Colony, leaves one with no misgivings as to the entertainment to be provided for their patrons. The "Queen's —Hong Kong's first "talkie house"—in keeping with tradition, is offering a grand film, which depicts the grim determination of the Britisher in the face of adversity. The film is entitled "The Last Outpost" starring Claude Rains and Cary Grant, while at the King's Theatre, a direct contrast may be drawn with the filming of "A Night at the Opera." Here the Marx Brothers, famous mirth-makers will perform in what has been stated to be their funniest act. Al Jolson and his wife Ruby Keeler are being starred at the Oriental in "Casino de Paris."

On the mainland, the Alhambra is offering Ted Lewis' "Here Comes the Band," while the Star Theatre is presenting "Car 99" featuring Fred McMurray, a new star.

In addition to all the festivities and entertainments described above, a large number of private parties were held, and in passing it might be said that in spite of "old Man Depression" Hong Kong saw the New Year in with a "bang" and commenced it with every hope for a more prosperous year.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

"The China Emporium, Ltd., is closed to-day January 1st in celebration of the New Year Day, but will reopen on to-morrow January 2nd. The Cafe de Luxe, Chinese Restaurant, Emporium Ball Room and Roof Garden remain open as usual. Special New Year tiffin and dinner will be served in the Cafe de Luxe on mezz. Floor."

A tea dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-day New Year's Day, at 4.30 p.m. The buses will run a half-hourly service during the afternoon.

A whist drive was held at the Cheero Club on Saturday, prizes being won as follows: Ladies, 1st, Mrs. Deacon, 2nd, Mrs. Hunt; gentlemen, 1st, "Soldier," 2nd, Mr. Crawford. The next whist drive will be held on Monday, January 6, at 8.30 p.m.: admission 50 cts. including refreshments.

The Manila Observatory, reporting at 8.40 a.m. yesterday stated that the typhoon was in about 126 Long., 10 Lat., moving W.N.W.

The late Mr. Paul Webster Derby, formerly of 231 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, who died on June 29, 1935, left local estate valued at $300. Letters of administration, with the will annexed to the estate, have been granted to Mr. D. H. Blake, solicitor, the lawful attorney.

The Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants and Sergeants of the R.A.M.C. are holding their invitation ball at the Military Hospital on New Year's Day.

At the Cheero Club on Tuesday, January 7, beginning at 9 p.m., Miss Gray's Concert Party are producing "Postal Orders"; admission 20 cts.

It is advised by the Managements that on Sunday, 5th January there will be no Tea Dance at the Hong Kong and Repulse Bay Hotels, the date being Rizal Day and a National holiday for the Bandsmen. The usual Dinner Dance at the Hong Kong Hotel will, however, function as usual that night.

The Bench's decision that the charge relating to the Pharmacy and Poisons ordinance had to be taken summarily, caused a sudden adjournment at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case in which three Chinese and two women were charged on remand with the possession of heroin pills and dangerous drugs on the second floor of No. 15 Caroline Hill Road, on November 10. The defendants were: Chui Kau, Lo Sing, Li So, Ho Ying, and Fung Chui.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. S. Ng Quinn was for the first, second, fourth and fifth defendants, and Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for the third defendant. Mr. Loseby said that he would apply for an adjournment in order to instruct Counsel, while Mr. Ng Quinn also applied for an adjournment, but said that he had not as yet received instructions with regard to engaging counsel.

For the week-ending on Dec. 28, the following cases of notifiable diseases were reported to the Health Authorities:—Diphtheria, seven (all deaths), Scarlet fever, one, Enteric fever four (all deaths) and Cerebro-Spinal fever, one.

For the 24 hours ended on Dec. 30, two cases of Diphtheria, one case of Scarlet fever and one case of enteric fever were reported.

Three more Chinese-owned silk filatures, one in the Settlement, and two in Chapel, have closed down, thus leaving only ten Chinese filatures still in operation in Shanghai. Three of these filatures are in Chapel, one in Hongkew, one in Nantao, and the others in different districts of the Settlement.

The cost of living in Tientsin which has been rising steadily for some time, is still rising, it was revealed by the weekly indices compiled by the Institute of Economics of Nankai University. Fuels, light and water showed a marked jump, from 116.72 for the week ended December 4 to 125.73 for the week ended December 7. Foods, which were indexed at 108.99 for the month of November, have increased to 111.21. The index for December, 1934, is 88.76. Clothing also registered a slight increase, 83.96 compared with 81.92 for the month of November. Rents remained stationary at 99.93, as compared with 103.87 for last year.

Major and Mrs. Don F. Pratt have left Tientsin for America via Suez and Europe. Major and Mrs. Pratt arrived in Tientsin on the October transport in 1932. Major Pratt was assigned to "F" Company, which he commanded until he was made Adjutant of the U.S. Army Troops in China and the 15th Infantry. Upon their return to the United States, Major and Mrs. Pratt will reside at Fort Washington.

Kuangtung now possesses 11,997 miles of long-distance telephone lines, according to a report made by the bureau of investigation of the provincial governmens.

A new experiment is being carried out in the Pingyuan district in Shantung in the use of a new alphabet or character system under the joint auspices of the Shantung provincial government and the Ministry of Education.

NEWS SUMMARY

At the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court, yesterday, Miss Wong Sau Noon became the bride of Mr. Chao Pan Lan, editor of the "Wah Kiu Yat Po." Page 6.

The funeral of the late Col. A. B. Hearle took place yesterday evening at the Colonial Cemetery and was accorded full military honours. There was a large gathering present to pay their last respects, while a large number of wreaths testified to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. Page 6.

The honouring of two distinguished persons of the Colony, the Hon. Sir William Thomas Southorn, C.M.G., K.B.E., and Dr. E. G. Earle, formerly professor of surgery at the local University, will record another red-letter day in the annals of the University of Hong Kong at its 27th annual Congregation, which will take place at 5 p.m. on Monday, January 6. Page 7.

The case was remanded at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. H. R. Butters in which three Chinese and two women were charged on remand with the possession of heroin pills and dangerous drugs on the second floor of No. 15 Caroline Hill Road on November 10. The defendants were: Chui Kau, Lo Sing, Li So, Ho Ying and Fung Chiu. Page, 6.

BRITISH AND FRENCH STATESMEN IN CONFERENCE

Political Situation Discussed

BRITAIN IMPRESSED BY LAVAL'S SPEECH

Soundings On Forthcoming London Discussion

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Paris, December 31.

The general diplomatic situation as well as the question of Franco-British co-operation was exhaustively discussed by M. Laval and the British Ambassador, Sir George Clerk, during the conversation which the two statesmen had on Monday evening as previously reported by Transocean.

The British envoy—so informed quarters declare—informed M. Laval of the favourable impression which the French Premier's two speeches before the Chamber last week created in British quarters, particularly among the Cabinet members.

France's prospective attitude during the forthcoming Laval conference in London likewise formed a subject of discussion according to "L'Oeuvre," which points out that the recent statements made by the French Minister of Marine, Pietri, caused some anxiety in British political quarters.

The French Minister, it will be recalled, declared that France would for the future reject the figures of the relative strengths of the fleets fixed by the Washington Pact.—*Transocean Kuo Min*

PRECAUTIONS IN EGYPT

Cairo, Dec. 30.

Precautionary measures taken by the British Army in Egypt for the defence of the western coast districts are discussed in detail by the press here. Numerous shipments of barbed wire, motor lorries and aeroplanes have arrived in Egyptian ports recently according to the papers, which add that extensive fortification work is going on in Siwa, Fayum and Wadi Natrun, bases in the western desert.

Aviation bases and supply stores have been prepared in Siwa, Sollum and Mersa Matruh which have been surrounded by barbed wire entanglements and trenches.

The number of British aeroplanes stationed in the western desert is said to be roughly 600 with thirty landing grounds.

The British military authorities, according to the papers, have also placed considerable orders for requipment of the army.

It is furthermore stated that the desert road from Fokah to Mersah which is now being built will be finished within six months at an estimated cost of £40,000.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

M. Tardieu, who is likely to return to the French political arena, blames Britain for the tangled position as regards sanctions

ITALIANS BOMB RED CROSS

Swedish Ambulance Unit Wiped Out

Addis Ababa, Dec. 31.

All members of the Swedish Red Cross ambulance consisting of nine Swedish and three Ethioplans have been wiped out by Italian bombing planes.

Ras Desta states that the ambulance which only arrived recently was bombed 20 miles from Dolo.

Local Red Cross representatives went to the Palace this morning to discuss what measures should be taken in view of this second bombing of the International Red Cross by the Italians which has aroused intense indignation in medical circles here.

British members express grave misgivings for the safety of the British ambulance which it is believed has now left Dessie for the northern front.

A strong protest against the bombing is being sent to Geneva by the delegation of the International Red Cross at the capital.—*Reuter.*

TARDIEU MAY RETURN TO POLITICS

Britain Blamed For Hitch In Sanctions

Paris, December 31.

The possibility of former Premier Tardieu's return to the political arena has been opened by a letter in which he tendered his resignation from the Republican Centre group consequent on disagreement with M. Reynaud's criticisms of M. Laval's foreign policy in the Chamber on December 27.

M. Tardieu in the course of the letter blamed Britain for the present disorganised position in regard to sanctions, stating it was Britain who prevented their organisation when proposed by France in 1924 and again in 1932.

M. Reynaud reaffirmed his intention of resigning the leadership of the Centre Republicans, which group is now accepted.

Meanwhile M. Tardieu agreed to the group's request to withdraw his resignation, but he asked for time to consider the invitation to reassume the presidency thereof in succession to M. Reynaud.—*Reuter*

CABINET HITCH IN SPAIN

Divergencies Of Opinion

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright*).)

Madrid, Dec 30.

Conformably with general expectations, Premier Valladares handed in on Monday, the Cabinet's collective resignation, and was immediately commissioned by the President of the Republic to form a new ministry.

As previously reported by Transocean, the latest crisis is due to the serious divergencies of opinion within the Cabinet which have arisen concerning the tactics to be pursued in the forthcoming elections, the Premier favouring strict neutrality while the right wing members of the Cabinet demanded that the Government support the united front of the right wing parties which are being formed for the election campaign.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

NEW GOVERNMENT

Madrd, Dec. 31.

Eight hours after the resignation, Valladares formed a new Cabinet consisting mainly of independents.—*Reuter.*

OPPONENTS IN THE FIELD

Will MacDonald Succeed?

London, Dec. 30.

It is likely Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who is to be nominated by National Government supporters for the combined Scottish Universities when the by-election takes place to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Noel Skelton, will have three opponents.

Mr. Cleghorn Thomson will be the Labour candidate, and Professor Dewar Gibb the nominee of the Scottish Nationalists.

It is now reported in Glasgow that Dr. O. H. Mayor, well-known as an author and playwright under the name of James Bridie, may stand as an Independent Conservative.

The Secretary for the Dominions, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, is meeting the Executive of the Ross and Cromarty Liberal Association to-morrow in connection with the vacancy which will occur on Thursday, when the resignation of the sitting member, Sir Ian Macpherson, takes effect.

Candidates representing the Labour Party and the Liberals who do not support the National Government are expected also to be nominated, and another report states that Mr. Randolph Churchill has been invited to stand as an Independent Conservative and has accepted.—*British Wireless.*

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ROME CABINET COUNCIL MEETING

Signor Mussolini Outlines Developments

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright.*))

Rome, Dec. 30.

The Cabinet Council which met on Monday with Signor Mussolini presiding approved the estimates of the budgetary years 1936/7, which balance at about 20 milliard lire, but do not include the expenditure for the East African campaign.

Il Duce delivered a lengthy speech in which he dealt with the recent developments of the international policy as well as the strategical situation of East Africa. According to an official communique, Mussolini reiterated that the Paris Proposals fell far short of meeting the Italian minimum demands, especially as regards the security of the frontiers and Italian settlers. He added that the proposals had however been doomed to failure at the moment of their publication and long before the Fascist Grand Council had the opportunity of examining them.

CAUSES FOR FAILURE

The causes for this failure are to be sought beyond the Italian frontiers, a fact which now is being admitted by all fair minded people. Concerning the military situation in East Africa, Mussolini stated that on the Eritrean frontier, Italian troops have been concentrated and consolidated in positions which at certain points were more than 100 miles distance from the old frontiers.

This rapid advance was accomplished within the first thirty days now necessitated extensive measures in order to organise and facilitate work of bringing up reinforcements which would mean moving of more than 100,000 soldiers and workers. The speaker emphasised that a hill in operations was bound to occur at times in every war, especially in a colonial war when it was a question of organising an advance in a difficult mountainous region like that of Tigre which has an area equal to 1/7th of the total area of Italy, and which is 200 miles distant from the army base at Massawa.

In conclusion Mussolini dealt with the sentiment prevailing at home, stressing that the struggle against "economic siege" was being continued systematically along the entire front and with effective co-operation from industry and commerce, the public spirit to be found everywhere was such that there no need of special legislature measures.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

DEFICIT IN BUDGET

Italy's Heavy War Expenditure

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press").
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Rome, Dec. 31.

The Italian budget closed with an actual deficit of two thousand and thirty million lire for the year 1934 and 1935 according to the finance minister's report on Monday to the Cabinet Council.

This deficit was principally made up of exceptional expenditure for the East African campaign amounting to nine hundred and seventy five million lire up to the end of June this year and eight hundred and forty million for subvention of state railways.

Without these two items it is pointed out that the deficit would have been only two hundred million, whereas a deficit of three thousand million lire was anticipated.

No estimates were published for the expenditure for the E. African campaign for the current or next financial year since the exceptional circumstances attending the development of the situation there says an official announcement, make estimates impossible and that this expenditure cannot be included in the ordinary budget.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

UNEMPLOYED IN GREAT BRITAIN

London, Dec. 30.

The Ministry of Labour estimated that on December 16 there were approximately 10,599,000 insured persons aged 16 to 64 in employment in Great Britain. This was 62,000 more than on November 25 and 340,000 more than the year before.

The number of unemployed persons on the registers at the same date totalled 1,868,565, comprising 1,585 990 wholly unemployed, 205,674 temporarily laid off, and 77,001 nominally in casual employment. The total was 49,997 less than the year before.—*British Wireless.*

FRESH ADVANCE IMMINENT

Northern Front Difficulties

Rome, Dec. 30.

Inferences that a fresh Italian advance is imminent on the Northern front are derived from Senor Mussolini's speech to the cabinet this morning. Il Duce's references to the great task of organising communications, necessitated by the movement of hundreds of thousands of troops, have dispelled any feeling of impatience that may have arisen owing to the slow progress of the Italian advance.

A correspondent writing to the "Giornale d'Italia" denies that the Italian advance has been held up either as a result of events in Europe or Ethiopian resistance. He adds that the initiative remains entirely in Italian hands.—*Reuter*

HEAVY LOSSES

Rome, Dec. 31.

According to a communique, it is claimed that heavy losses have been inflicted on Abyssinians in operations with the Eritrean column, who linking up another column in the Tembian Zone inflicted severe defeat on the enemy. The Italian losses are fifty killed.—*Reuter.*

ROME COMMUNIQUE

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright*).)

Rome, Dec. 30.

Official war bulletin No. 83 issued on Monday by the Propaganda Minister states that an Eritrean detachment reached Warien district in the Tembien region on Sunday, and established connection with troops which were victorious in the battle of Addi Abbi on December 21.

In the course of encounters with Italian scouting patrols during this operation, the enemy, declares the report, suffered severe losses. The Italian losses are given as 24 white soldiers killed, 12 wounded, 8 native soldiers killed and 2 wounded.

On the Somali front continues the bulletin, Sultan Shavell Olol Dinle who had made a submission to the Italian forces, carried out a reconnaissance in the course of which he defeated strong enemy detachments. During this operation the Sultan was "brilliantly supported by our Air Force."—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

PROPAGANDA AGAINST THE ITALIANS

Port Said, Dec. 31.

The "Day of Sacrifice" was also celebrated here by members of the Italian colony when, however, placards appeared in many Italian streets urging the population not to surrender their golden wedding rings because this would merely prolong the war.

Similarly packets of cigarettes intended for the Italian troops were found to contain cards with short slogans to the same purport. All efforts to ascertain who was responsible for this propaganda have so far failed.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

CAIRO STUDENTS STILL RESTIVE

Cairo, Dec. 31.

The universities and schools have re-opened after being closed since November 14 owing to the part taken by the students in riots.

The students still show themselves restive, and demonstrated sometime outside before entering the institutions. They continued their demonstrations inside the various faculties despite the advice of Dasan Pasha, Leader of the Wafd, to resume studies quietly.

The present grievance arises from the agitation for an amnesty to be granted to student leaders who are under arrest.—*Reuter.*

U.S. GANG WARFARE

Boston, Dec. 31.

An outbreak of gang warfare arising out of the lottery racket resulted in eleven men being shot dead. Several of the victims were dumped from motor cars outside two hospitals in the city.—*Reuter.*

FLOODS ABATE IN ENGLAND

London, Dec. 30.

Reports from the flooded areas indicate some abatement of the rising water, due to the heavy rainfall of the last few days on top of the Christmas thaw.

The Thames, however, is carrying a greater volume of water to-day, and rises are reported along its course from Lechlade down to Shepperton. The rate of 5,800 million gallons in 24 hours still does not approach the high figures of 1929, the last big flood year.—*British Wireless.*

SILVER PROPOSAL FROM MEXICO

Washington, Dec. 31.

With reference to the visit of Senor Eduardo Suarez, a member of the Mexican Finance Ministry, it is believed that there is a possibility of his proposing to the United States Treasury to pay Mexico in U. S. domestic price for newly mined silver in return for certain tariff concessions.—*Reuter*

XMAS MAIL RUSH

Remarkable Work By Post Office

London, Dec. 30.

During the Christmas holidays the Post Office delivered some 286 million letters and ten million parcels, representing increases over last year's figures of 9.5 and 12.7 per cent. respectively.

All mail posted up to the latest advertised times was delivered by Christmas Day—a remarkable achievement in view of the serious disocation of road and rail traffic during the period by fog.

Telegram and telephone traffic was also heavier than in previous years. Some 26,500,000 postal orders were issued, compared with 20,000,000 last year.

Withdrawal by Post Office Savings Bank depositors during December were a million pound higher, at ten millions, than in December, 1934, but the balance held by the bank of £390,000,000 was thirty millions more than a year ago.—*Reuter.*

ANTI-FASCIST BILL

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright.*))

Paris, Dec. 30.

The bill empowering the Government to dissolve the "Fighting Leagues" was definitely adopted by the Senate on Monday afternoon, with the amendments approved by the Chamber.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

LINDBERGHS AT LIVERPOOL

Hurried Departure By Car

London, Dec. 31.

The steamer American Importer arrived at Gladstone Dock, Liverpool, at 11.15 a.m. to-day. Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh with their son Jon hurriedly boarded a waiting motor car and departed without disclosing their destination.

Colonel Lindbergh's flight from the United States was undertaken owing to the threats to kidnap his son and his desire to give the latter a normal childhood.

Great secrecy was observed in the departure from America and the Lindberghs were the only passengers on the vessel.—*Reuter*

"NEW LIFE" STAMPS

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

A set of new stamps to commemorate the enforcement of the New Life movement will be on sale from to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

TEA QUOTA

London, Dec. 31.

The International Tea Committee has decided that the exportable quota for the year commencing on April 1936, is to remain unchanged at 82½ per cent.—*Reuter.*

BRILLIANT CAREER IN LAW AND POLITICS

Lord Reading Passes At Age Of 75

London, Dec. 30.

The Marquis of Reading, who contracted a chill last week, died of heart failure at his London house this afternoon at the age of 75. His condition had given cause for anxiety since Saturday.

Marquis Reading had a brilliant career in law and politics. Appointed Attorney General in 1910, he was the first holder of that office to sit in the Cabinet which he entered in 1912.

He became Lord Chief Justice in 1913 and while occupying this high legal office through the w years and up to 1921 he visited the United States three times on special missions, first as head of the Anglo-French Loan Mission, again in 1916 as special envoy and in 1918 as High Commissioner and special Ambassador.

In 1921 he was appointed Viceroy and Governor-General of India and returned from India in April 1926.

He served at the Round Table Conference in 1930 and took part in all the work of subsequent years connected with drafting of the new Indian constitution on which he left a considerable mark.

In the crisis of 1931 he was one of the Liberals who joined the National Government, serving as Foreign Secretary for several months. He accepted his last office in 1934 when he became Lord Warden of Cinque Ports.—*British Wireless.*

GOLF AND GOLFERS

The Rules Of 200 Years Ago

NEW LIGHT ON AN OLD SUBJECT

Just when one is beginning to think that everything that could be written about golf from a historical point of view had been written, along comes some one with a new idea on an old subject.

This is particularly true of the latest addition to my golf library—a collection of the rules of the 10 oldest golf clubs in Britain, which provides the first opportunity for students of the historical side of the game to follow its governmental development, not from its earliest beginnings certainly, but over a period of nearly 200 years.

The book, written by Mr. C. B. Clapcott, and published at 7s 6d by "Golf Monthly," Edinburgh, places under one cover for the first time the codes of the oldest clubs, and it also includes a number which are not to be found in any work on the game.

"In addition to the rules of the very earliest clubs, such as the Royal and Ancient Golf Club (which was the St. Andrews Golf Club until 1854), the Royal Burgess Golfing Society, Royal Musselburgh Club, the Glasgow Club, etc., there are also very wisely included those of a few clubs like the Royal Perth Golfing Society and the Thistle Club, Edinburgh, which show in an interesting manner, as the author states, what members of newly constituted clubs considered to be the accepted laws of the game.

THE FIRST OF THE STYMIE

And this is necessarily a very important point for the historical student who may be interested, for example, in the origin of the stymie. The actual word "stymie" does not appear to have made its entry into golfing parlance until 1834, but from the absence of any rules to the contrary the penalty existed, and it was not until 1775 that the Honourable company ruled that "If your balls be found anywhere touching or within six inches of one another you are to lift the first ball until the other is played."

Prior to that in the rules of the Royal and Ancient Club, dated 1754, there was no reference to the six-inch separation—only if the balls were touching could one of them be lifted.

But even the oldest of the rules indicates the spirit of the stymie, because in 1754 the R. and A. laid it down that "At holing, you are to play your ball honestly for the hole, and not to play upon your adversary's ball, not lying in your way to the hole."

Whether was it "lost ball lost hole" or "stroke and distance" first? The records do not go back far enough to make this absolutely certain, but the author points out how the ideas among the older clubs changed from time to time, the Burgess Society, for instance, alternating fairly regularly between the two, and while at Aberdeen in 1783, Blackheath in 1828 and Musselburgh in 1834 the rule was "lost ball lost hole," it was "stroke and distance" in some of the codes as far back as 1754 and 1773.

These, however, are just small points illustrative of the material provided in the book, which, on the whole, is one of the most interesting works which has been published on the game for some time.

MUNICIPAL GOLF

A big development in municipal golf in Glasgow is foreshadowed by the statement of Mr. T. A. Kerr, convener of the Parks Committee of the Corporation, that negotiations are taking place for ground for the provision of a new 18-hole course and for two or three 9-hole courses.

The growth of municipal golf since the war has been one of the most striking features of the game, and it is interesting to think of it in conjunction with the condition of affairs which existed some 200 years ago when the rules of the earliest clubs were framed.

Glasgow, in particular, has been prominent in this development, and few cities can boast of the same facilities as are to be found at extremely moderate cost.

The justification for the laying out of additional courses is not hard to find, for although the present undertakings are not, in the main, lucrative from a coldly financial point of view, the number of players utilising them could hardly be greater. Those who have attempted to get a round on any of the municipal courses on a Saturday afternoon in the season will appreciate the pressure and the need for even greater facilities.

The proposed site for the new 18-hole course, as Mr. Kerr announced at the presentation of the Corporation sports trophies yesterday, is at Drumclog, Milngavie, and other sites are under consideration for the smaller courses.

CANADIAN COMPLIMENTS

Mr. George H. Hutchison, who is approaching the end of a notable year in the captaincy of the Glasgow Golf Club, has had an interesting letter from the members of the Canadian Senior's International team who toured this country last summer.

In the course of their travels a group of the Canadian golfers played over Killermont, and they were fortunate in seeing the course in ideal conditions on one of the finest days of this year. The lovely foliage, the soft tread of the turf, the unbounded hospitality, and the good fellowship have evidently left very happy memories in the Dominion.

It is a source of gratification to the Glasgow Club that they were able to give the visitors a pleasant afternoon, and it is singularly appropriate that the event should have synchronised with the present captain's term, for his elder brother has for many years been a leading figure in golf in Montreal, and has taken a notable part in developing the game according to the high traditions maintained in the home of golf.

PLAYERS, PLEASE NOTE

Entries close to-day for an open amateur tournament, organised by the Cawder Club, which takes place on this attractive wooded course on Saturday first.

Up to date the numbers who have promised to participate have been extremely heartening for an event at this unusual period of the year, and the quality is also first class. This may be judged when it is stated that the entries include such players as Donald Cameron, Kirkintilloch (winner of the Edward Trophy early this year); James Lindsay, Falkirk Tryst (the former Boy Champion); E. D. Hamilton, Ralston; D. M'Bride, Glasgow; K. G. Patrick, Stirling; and A. W. M. Watson, Hayston, runner-up in the Glasgow Championship.

An added attraction furnished by the club is the offer of the courtesy of the course to competitors for the full week before the competition, and this in itself is almost sufficient to make entering fully worth while. As golf courses go it is very new, but already it has been worked up into excellent condition. And there are many which may rival it for sheer beauty, but there is certainly not one to beat it.

Entries should be sent to Mr. W. A Stevenson, C.A., 55 West Regent Street, Glasgow, to reach him today.

H. LINDRUM WINS

REMARKABLE FINISH

Davis Beaten By One Game

London, Dec. 8.

The first of the two matches, each of 61 games at snooker pool, between Davis and H. Lindrum, ended at Thurston's Hall, in Leicester-square, last night, in a win for Lindrum by 31 games to 30.

Each match is being played for a side stake of £100, and there are other side stakes on the aggregate of points scored and the highest break made during the fortnight's play. At the end of the first week's play Lindrum led on the aggregate by 3,885 to 3,870, and he had also made the highest break, a run of 81. Lindrum is in receipt of a start of seven points in each game, a concession of 427 points in a week's play.

At the start of yesterday's play Davis was leading by 26 games to 24. Lindrum won the first and second games in the afternoon by 94 to 48, and 87 to 27, to make the totals level. Then Lindrum won the third game by 62 to 60, on the black, and Davis took the next two at 110 to 12, and 82 to 67. In the fourth game Davis had a break of 65, including two blacks, two blues, two browns, and all the colours, and in the final game of the session Lindrum ran in off the pink, following which Davis took the pink and the black.

Lindrum won the first game at night by 68 to 42, making the score 28 games all, and he took the lead in the next game which he took at 99 to 46. Davis won the next game at 82 to 40, but Lindrum won the next by 94 to 27 and with two games to be played he led by 30 to 29, winning the sixtieth game at 82 to 32. Lindrum made certain of the result, and he then led by two games. Davis won the last game of the series by 85 to 52.

The second match will be begun to-morrow.

GOLF

Starting Times For New Year's Day

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling on New Year's Day, are as follows:—

Old Course.

9.24 a.m.—J. MacKnight and F. Austin

9.28 a.m.—W. A. Stewart and N. K. Littlejohn

9.32 a.m.—W. J. S. Key and J. Forbes

9.36 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton and S. H. Dodwell.

9.40 a.m.—I. H. Geare and A. D. Humphreys

9.44 a.m.—R. L. S. Webb and L. Goldman

9.48 a.m.—F. M. Ellis and H. N. Williamson

9.52 a.m.—J. S. Dykes and R. J. Shrigley

10.16 a.m.—T. R. Rowell and W. J. E. Mackenzie

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Inter-Colonial Shoot

In the Inter-Colonial Shoot held yesterday, the Hong Kong team scored a total of 1,071 out of possible 1,200 points.

This was very fine shooting and compared with the scores of 1934. These is reason to hope that this score will place Hong Kong about sixth or seventh.

Detailed scores will appear in our next issue.

NEW ARMY HOCKEY SECRETARY

Lieut. J. P. Williams, 2nd Bn. The East Lancashire Regiment assumes the duties of Hon. Secretary, Army Hockey, with effect from to-morrow vice Major R. C. S. Bates relieved.

MRS. HARROP MANAGER OF INTERPORT TEAM

Mrs. P. M. Harrop, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association has been invited to accompany the Interport team to Shanghai next month, and has accepted.

FOOTBALL AND THE POOLS

MOVE TO COPYRIGHT FIXTURES

"£60,000 A Year Could Be Used"

London, Dec. 5

The English Football League Management Committee at a special meeting in London, considered the scheme of Mr. Watson Hartley, consulting accountant, of Liverpool, whereby the copyright of fixtures of the League would be utilised for the benefit of the game at large. Mr. Hartley's scheme is that the League shall insist on the copyright of their fixtures, and shall issue licences for their use at fees to be fixed by a copyrights control board. The licensing system would apply to all firms publication to the fixtures in various forms, and these would, of course, include football pools.

FUNDS FOR THE GAME

It is suggested that a sum of at least £60,000 a year could be raised in this way and devoted to the funds of the game. Mr. Watson Hartley attended the meeting and explained his scheme in detail, and after a lengthy discussion the committee announced that the meeting was adjourned. A representative of companies organising football pools attended the meeting. Mr. John M'Kenna, the president of the League, said that the matter was in its preliminary stage at present.

NEEDS EXPERIENCE

Hearts are going to miss M'culloch in the weeks ahead. Alec Anderson did quite well at Pittodrie, but is lacking in experience. He missed one or two easy chances, and had M'Culloch been there to accept some of Murray's inviting crosses it is not unlikely that Hearts would have secured the winning goal while the Dons were still trying to get their attack going. It will probably be a good few weeks yet before Anderson is in among the goals. He is big and powerful, and should develop into a good leader of the bustling type, but a club of Hearts' standing should not be in the position of having to make do with an inexperienced leader right in the middle of the season.

WOOLLEY COMES IN

Partick Thistle make one change for the game with Dunfermline at Firhill. Hastie was injured in the match with Celtic, and Woolley, who has been shaping well in the Alliance team, takes his place. Team:—Johnstone (R.); Johnstone (I.) and Calderwood; Elliot Sutherland, and Busby; Regan and Wylie (G.); Woolley and Bain.

PROVISIONAL SIGNING

Kilmarnock have provisionally signed Simon Currie, a Mauchline youth, who keeps goal for Darvel. He will be allowed to complete the season with his junior club.

For their match against St. Bernard at Love Street St. Mirren make no change. Selection:—M'Cloy; Baird and Ancell; Cunningham, Wilson, and Miller; Latimer and Knox; M'Gregor; M'Camon and Gall.

ROSS MAKE CHANGES

Ross County again indulge in team changes for their Highland League match with Elgin City at Dingwall. Macmillan has recovered from a leg injury which kept him out of the game for several weeks, and is at right back in place of Anderson, who is being rested. Garrow makes his reappearance after a long absence at right half-back in place of Fraser, who partners Bowie at inside left. Ross changes over to inside right, and is partnered by Mackay. Team:—Ross; Macmillian and Urquhart; Garrow, Macrae, and Macdonald; Mackay and Ross; Anderson; Fraser and Bowie.

BUCKIE'S SELECTION

Buckie Thistle's team to play Peterhead at Buckie in the first round of the Aberdeenshire County Cup will be selected from the following players:—Wood, John Bowie, Noble, Middleton, F. Smith, Ross, James Bowie, Calder, Geddes, Cormack, Campbell, Neish, and Milne.

PETERHEAD IN DOUBT

Peterhead are in doubt about the left half-back position. If Duthie has not recovered from a foot injury Allan will fill the berth. Team:—Moir; Burnett and Scott; Brown, Townsley, and Duthie or Allan; Emslie and Craig; Stewart; Strachan and Brinham.

THREE CHANGES

Three changes are announced by Stenhousemuir for the match against Dumbarton at Ochilview. Brown resumes at centre half-back and Malcolm and Howie are preferred to Cameron and Fraser on the left wing. Selection:—Jack; Turnbull and Smith; Morrison, Brown, and S. Murray; Hill and Fisher; R. Murray; Malcolm and Howie.

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following gallops were clocked on Christmas Day and Boxing Day:—

	Distance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	5th Qr.	Last Qr.
GRIFFINS							
Advancing	1	42.4	1.24.3	2.05.1	2.37.1		32
Gay Star	1	46	1.30	2.11.2	2.47.1		35.4
Forest View	1	40.2	1.20	1.57.1	2.31.2		34.1
Splendid View	1	40.4	1.17.1	1.51	2.22.4		31.4
Donovan	1½	44.1	1.25	2.04	2.38.2	3.10.2	32
Magnificent View, Glorious View and Gorgeous View	1	45.4	1.24.3	2.00.2	2.33.3		33.1
Rosemary	1½	40.2	1.17.2	1.53	2.26.4	2.57.1	30.2
Royal Highness	1	49.4	1.33	2.11.2	2.44.2		33
Royal Scot and Royal Consort	1	42	1.22.1	1.58.1	2.29.1		31
Tyne and Goodnews Bay	¾	48	1.34	2.04.2			30.2
SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS							
Lancashire Loon and Midlothian	¾	43.1	1.21	1.54.4			33.4
Ideal Day, Modern Hero and The Shamrock	1	41.1	1.21.1	1.58.1	2.33.3		35.2
Paymaster & Hawthorn	1	38	1.14.4	1.52	2.27.4		35.4
Hellbender, Merry Jester and Balios	1	42	1.22.3	1.57.2	2.30.2		33
Silver Lining & Fidelity	1	38	1.13.1	1.47.3	2.23		35.2
Unicorn	1	40.1	1.16.2	1.50.2	2.24		33.3
Wild Cat and Ocean View	1	39.1	1.15.4	1.51	2.23		32
Stopwatch & Hopscotch	1	50	1.33	2.15	2.49.1		34.1
Gold Sovereign	1	46.1	1.29.4	2.08.4	2.39.2		30.3
AUSTRALIAN PONIES							
Perfect Day	—	35.2	1.07.1	1.35.4			28.3
Canberra Girl & Brenta	1	44.3	1.25.4	2.04	2.33.3		29.3
A Grand Time & Merry Time	1	44	1.18.4	1.49.1	2.17		27.4
Hercules and Lancashire Lad	1	32.2	1.03.4	1.34.3	2.04		29.4
Able Warrior and Film Star	1½	32.1	1.08.1	1.40.3	2.12	2.42.3	30.3

CITY UNDER THREE FLAGS

Tsingtao Now And Before

MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS REVIEWED

Tsingtao, (By Mail).

Tsingtao has gone one step ahead of its sister cities in introducing an efficient system of people's self-government. In constructing 1,000 model houses, in building public cemeteries, in giving a "new deal" to the rickshaw pullers, in promoting free education, in training a strong police force and in initiating a host of other municipal reforms under the enlightened leadership of Rear Admiral Shen Hung-lieh, Mayor, during the last five years.

This was revealed by the Mayor himself when addressing a public gathering at a celebration ceremony on the occasion of the 13th anniversary of the rendition of the city held here recently. While proudly reviewing the achievements of the Tsingtao City Government during the past few years, Rear-Admiral Shen also outlined his future administrative policies in detail with the eventual hope of making the city one of the "model municipalities" in China.

SINCE RENDITION

Since the rendition of the city in 1922, the Municipal Government, Mayor Shen said, has centered its efforts on cultural and material reconstruction in view of the large rural populace and the vvast tracts of rural districts surrounding the city. Being aware of the importance of these two aspects of reconstruction work, he has also given them due emphasis, since his assumption of office in 1931.

In order to expedite the development of cultural and material reconstruction he has sought to co-ordinate political administration and people's education. For the past three years the low intelligence level of the masses had necessitated the promotion of education through political power, but since last June the comparative advancement of the people's intelligence has made it possible to utilize education power to complete political reforms.

In other words, Mayor Shen explained, while the past three years had been a period of political tutelage, since last June, it has entered into a period of people's self-government.

WORK REVIEWED

Reviewing the work of the Municipal Government during the past year, Mayor Shen stated that in accordance with an order of the Shantung Provincial Government Laoshan has been transferred to the control of the Tsingtao Municipal Government from the Tzemo District Government. This island has a total area of 200 square kilometers, the greater part of which is hilly land. Farmlands occupy about only 25,959 mow, from which an annual tax revenue of about $6,400 is realized.

Since its transfer to the Tsingtao Municipal Government, the population of Laoshan has increased by 8,557 households or 40,481 persons. Owing to the development of commerce and industry, the population in Tsingtao proper has also increased by 4,631 households or 13,974 persons. The total increase is therefore 13,188 households or 63,455 persons.

A very efficient system of people's self-government, according to Mayor Shen, has been introduced. The whole municipality has been divided into a number of villages and counties. At the head of each village are a village chief and a village vice-chief, and at the head of each county are a county chief and a county vice-chief, who are responsible for all matters relative to self-government.

With regard to social welfare work undertaken during the past year Mayor Shen said that to solve the housing problem for the common people 1,000 houses have been built by the Municipal Government. These are let out at reasonable rent.

CREDIT BUREAU

To prevent the scattering of tombs all over the municipality a number of public cemeteries have been built.

To relieve small business, a Credit Loan Bureau has been established under the joint sponsorship of the Municipal Government and the Kincheng Banking Corporation. Up till the present a total of $45,000 has been loaned out.

To reduce the burden of the people co-operative societies for the rearing of hens and pigs and for the transportation and sale of various daily necessities have been organized.

With a view to improving the life of the richshaw pullers, club houses have been established for them and they have all been registered at the Bureau of Social Welfare. For the convenience of the rickshaw pullers as well as the workers a public dining hall, where meals are served at the lowest prices possible, has been established. Meanwhile, clinics and small hospitals have been established in various villages and counties.

FREE EDUCATION

The most important work in the educational programme, during the past year, Mayor Shen pointed out, has been the promotion of free education. A total of 306 classes of the primary grade has been opened with a total of 12,000 students. These have been conducted with appropriations from the Municipal Government and subsidizes from the Central Government.

The Municipal Government has, Mayor Shen continued, spared no efforts in the promotion of education for the grown-ups. A total of 200 classes have been opened with upwards of 10,000 men and women attending them.

Construction funds for schools appropriated by the Municipal Government, according to Mayor Shen, amounted to $210,000.

Turning to public works in the municipality during the past year, Mayor Shen mentioned the improvement of water supply at a cost of over $200,000, the adjustment of the sewage system, the construction of highways in the rural districts, the beautification of the Laoshan tourist centre, the building of a new big wharf at a cost of $3,900,000 and a number of small piers and bridges.

POLICE WORK

To ensure peace preservation in the Municipality the police force has been strengthened. A Police Officers Training Class has been opened to train competent police officers. Police dogs have been trained to help in detective work. More police stations have also been established in various parts of the municipality to maintain peace and order.

The promotion of agriculture and forestry has also demanded much of the attention of the Municipal Government, Mayor Shen affirmed. Horticultural gardens, saplings, experimental stations, and hens and pigs rearing stations have been built. Improved wheat, vegetable and fruit seeds have been distributed among the farmers. Agricultural experts have been frequently sent out to give instructions to the farmers in the improvement of farming methods. To arouse public interest in the agricultural development agricultural fairs have also been held.

With regard to the future administrative plans of the Municipal Government Mayor Shen stated that these are primarily under two categories: social and economical. Among the social reforms will be the elimination of bad customs and habits, including the suppression of opium and other narcotic drugs, and the prohibition of secret prostitution. Meanwhile, good customs and habits such as thrift and diligence will be highly promoted.

WOMEN'S PART

In view of the fact that women play an important part in family life the Municipal Government, according to Mayor Shen, are planning to organize a Tsingtao women's Association which will be responsible for educating the illiterate women, introducing reforms into the home, and providing vocational guidance for women. All highly educated women and girl graduates from schools of various grades in the municipality will be induced to participate in the association so as to make it a strong organization.

The youth problem, Mayor Shen declared, is also a serious social problem at present. To give academic, athletic and vocational guidance to the youth a Tsingtao Young Men's Association will be instituted under the auspices of educational authorities.

Turning to economic reforms, Mayor Shen suggested that in order to promote commerce and industry there must be close co-operation between financial and commercial and industrial circles. Unless there be co-operation between them the development of commerce and industry could not be accelerated.

Meanwhile, the management of various commercial and industrial organs must be improved. Scientific methods of management must be introduced to heighten working efficiency. The personnel must also be trained, especially in the new methods of production and transaction.

OTHER SOCIAL WORK

Mayor Shen is aware that the labour problem constitutes one of the most important social as well as economic problems. The long working hours and insanitary conditions in many small factories are detrimental to the health of the workers. To improve the life of the labourers these small factories must be compelled to improve their working conditions.

The livelihood of the lower classes, Mayor Shen pointed out, has always been under the serious consideration of the municipal authorities, for if the lower classes are not living a tolerable life, they constitute the greatest menace to the peace and order of society.

Owing to the stringency of the municipal treasury and the frequent occurrences of natural calamities, the results of the efforts of the Municipal Government in this connection have not been encouraging. But the municipal authorities, Mayor Shen asserted, will continue to do their best to improve the life of the lowest strata through the extension of credit loans, relief of the homeless and destitute, helping of the jobless to get employment and other measures.—

Central News Agency.

"LADY PRECIOUS STREAM"

ON A BARE STAGE

Audiences' Imagination To Supply Details

The production of "Lady Precious Stream" by the Arts Association of the Hong Kong University next week will afford those residents in the Colony who are not familiar with the Chinese stage an opportunity of seeing just what a Chinese play is like, without the bar of language. Except that the dialogue is in English, and is not sung but spoken, the production follows Chinese stage convention. Instead of the detailed realism of the western theatre, which seeks to reproduce on the actual stage as closely as possible the scene of the play down to every detail, the stage is bare save for a few chairs, and it is the audience who must supply, from their imagination, all the invisible properties made use of by the actors, while it is the business of the actors, by the truth of their gestures, to make evident what those properties are. So invisible doors are opened and shut; invisible horses are ridden, dismounted, and tied to invisible trees. Precious Stream bends double to creep through the low invisible door to her humble invisible cave, sews an invisible garment with an invisible needle, deplores her lost beauty by gazing at her own imaginary reflection in an imaginary basin of water. Hsieh Ping-Kuei, returning home from the Western Regions, dismounts from an imaginary horse and ties invisible reins to an invisible willowtree. The young suitors knock at a non-existent gate and lift their feet to step over the imaginary threshold; Precious Stream and her maid mount invisible steps to the fatal pavilion. The required gestures have become in the course of centuries so highly stylized that what on the western stage might seem awkward or ridiculous fits with an easy smoothness into the harmonious whole of the play.

[We regret that owing to the paper going to press early on New Year's Eve, a detailed account of the play must necessarily be held up for our issue on Friday.—Ed.]

POPULARISING GOLF

THE PART PLAYED BY NEWSPAPERS

When Ball Was 5/s Each

Mr. A. M'L. Ewing, a director of George Outram and Co. (Ltd.), was the principal guest at the annual dinner in the Caledonian Hotel, Edinburgh, last night of the Edinburgh and East of Scotland Newspaper Trade Golf Club.

Mr. Ewing, in proposing the toast of "The Club," spoke of the part newspapers had played in the development of the game.

He had, he said, spent some time consulting files of old newspapers, and he had been surprised to find how little space was devoted 60 years ago to sport in general. Morning newspapers left the field of football entirely to the "evenings," contenting themselves with only brief summaries in their Monday issues.

Other sports received scant attention, editors, no doubt, believing that it was their high office to educate the public by giving 10 to 20 columns of a Parliamentary debate on some dry-a-dust subject, such as the disestablishment of the Church or the abolition of the House of Lords.

ADVENT OF THE GUTTA

It was customary to refer to golf as the royal and ancient game; it was certainly an expensive game 70 years ago, when the feather ball was in general use. The minimum cost of one of these balls was 5s, and good Scots were careful how they risked those balls on the narrow fairways and hazards which were then common on courses. (Laughter.)

It was not till the late '80s, by which time the gutta ball at a fifth of the price was in common use, that golf began to come into its own. It even came within the range of the impecunious newspaper man—(laughter)—and in a very few years the leading newspapers were devoting great attention to the sport.

It had often been claimed, Mr. Ewing said, that Mr. A. J. Balfour's fondness for the game had great influence in popularising it, but he believed that the newspapers of Edinburgh and Glasgow could claim a still greater degree of credit for helping to make the game of golf what it was to-day—the most popular game not only of Scotland but of all the countries of the world. (Applause.)

Mr. B. J. Innes replied.

Other toasts included "Edinburgh Corporation," proposed by Mr. Hugh W. Dawson and replied to by Bailie Tom Stevenson; and "Scottish Golf," proposed by Mr. W. J. Guild, ex-president of the Scottish Golf Union, and acknowledged by Dr. J. F. A. Wood.

PLAGUE SYMPTOMS

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright.*)]

Moscow, Dec. 30.

In view of the fact, states Soviet official news agency, that cases of illness ending fatally and symptoms which point to plague are occurring in Manchukuo in the territory bordering the Russian district of Blagovyeshchensk, the Soviet Government has decided provisionally to close the frontier between the Soviet Union and Manchukuo, along the River Amur between the frontier post of Kumarsk and Pashkova, a distance of about five hundred kilometres. All transit through the frontier control in the town of Blagovyeshchensk will be suspended.—

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NEW YEAR RECEPTION POSTPONED

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright.*)]

Berlin, Dec. 30.

The customary New Year's receptions by the Chancellor has been postponed till January 10 at Herr Hitler's orders, according to an official announcement issued on Monday.

The Chancellor will be present at midday on that date in the House of the Reichs President, the former presidential residence, where he will then receive the New Year wishes of the diplomatic representatives in the presence of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Herr Neurath.

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ANGLO-CHINESE FRIENDSHIP

HELPED BY THE ART EXHIBITION

Message From The President

London, Dec. 9.

The exhibition of works of Chinese art now being held at the Royal Academy, constitutes, in the words of the President of the Chinese Republic, another milestone in the friendly relations between Great Britain and China. This phrase occurred in a message from the president, which was read at a dinner at Lancaster House last night, given by the Government to representatives of the various countries and organisations associated with the exhibition.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore, First Commissioner of Works, who presided, acknowledged this country's indebtedness to many lands for the loan of treasures assembled in the exhibition. In his thanks to the Chinese Government as the foremost contributor, he remarked that a considerable part of its collection was from the works of art secured by the gifted and cultivated Emperor Chien Lung, and included many marvels of early craftsmanship.

NEVER DISPLAYED BEFORE

"I understand," said Mr Ormsby-Gore, "that never before has that marvellous 12th-century roll painting by Shiah Kway, entitled '10,000 miles on the Yangtse River,' been displayed in its entirety to mortal eyes."

Visitors to the exhibition, he added, could learn more about the soul of China there than from many books.

The Chinese Ambassador described the collection as the most definite and comprehensive exhibition of achievements in Chinese arts that the Western world had ever seen.

In a reference to the works on view, he said he had not found it shockingly incongruous to overhear a young lady wonder how a portrait of Henry VIII. had got into the exhibition, and then, to note her incredulity when she discovered that she was looking at a portrait of Kublai Khan.

Among those present were:

The Chinese, Brazilian, French, German, Soviet and Turkish Ambassadors, the Netherlands and Iranian Ministers, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Walter Runciman (President Board of Trade), Earl of Lytton, Sir William Llewellyn (President Royal Academy), Sir Percival David (Director Chinese Art Exhibition), Maj.-Gen. Sir Neil Malcolm, Dr. F. T. Chang, Sir George Hill, Baron Ino Dan, Sir Walter Russell, Sir E. Denison Ross, Prof. W. Perceval Yetts, Sir Victor Wellesley, Prof. W. G. Constable, Sir Edwin Lutyens, Mr. Laurence Binyon, Sir Edward Crowe, Sir W. Goscombe John, Sir Cecil Harcourt-Smith, Sir Stephen Gaselee, Sir Eric Maclagan, and Major E. N. S. Crankshaw.

M.C.C. BATSMEN IN FORM

Centuries by Parks And Smith

Dunedin, Dec. 31.

The M.C.C. tourists in New Zealand were in great form, Smith and Parks scoring centuries while Sims had the distinction of taking three wickets for 11 runs in dismissing the whole of the Otago batsmen for 78 runs.

The visitors scored 307 for 3, Smith 165, which included two hits over the boundary and twenty to the ropes, and Parks 103 became associated in a partnership which produced 239 runs for the first wicket. Both played brilliant cricket.

The 300 was hoisted in 196 minutes.—

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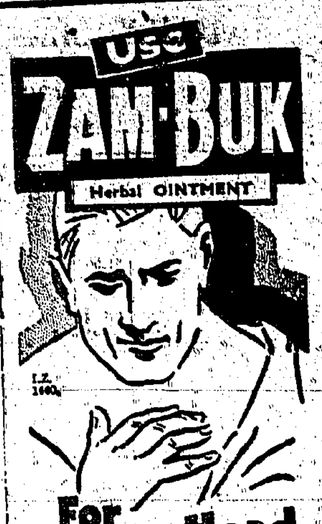

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				Banks				
...	...	...	$1,600	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	$1,600
...	...	...	£98	Do. (London)	...	...	...	£98
...	...	...	£13	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	£13
...	...	...	£29½	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	£29
...	...	...	£13½	Do. "C"	...	...	...	£13½
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...	...	...	$275	Canton Insurances	...	...	...	$275
...	...	...	$1.10	Underwriters	...	...	...	$1.05
...	...	...	$575	Union Insurances	...	...	...	$570
...	...	...	$480	China Fires	$475	...	...	...
...	...	...	$260	H.K. Fires	$255	...	...	...
...	...	...	$4	International Assce. S.	...	...	...	...
				Shipping				
...	...	...	$36	Douglases	$35	...	...	...
...	...	...	£4	Steamboats	$3	...	...	...
...	...	...	$30	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	$30
...	...	...	$20	Do. (def.)	...	...	...	20
...	...	...	£0/-	Shells	...	...	...	80/-
...	...	...	$12	Waterboats	$12	...	...	...
				Mining				
...	$1.30	...	...	Antamoks	$1.15	...	...	...
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THE NOTE TO ITALY

Anxiety In The Commons

London, Dec. 10.

A special meeting of the Cabinet, which had been summoned during the morning was held at the House of Commons last night at 6 o'clock to receive a report on the discussions which had taken place during the week-end between M. Laval and Sir Samuel Hoare. All the members of the Cabinet were present except Sir Samuel Hoare, who is in Switzerland, Mr. Runciman, who is confined to his house with a chill, and Lord Monsell, who was detained on business in connection with the Naval Conference.

Earlier in the day Mr. Baldwin had announced in the House of Commons that the documents drawn up as a result of the conversations in Paris had reached London at an early hour in the morning and were receiving "urgent consideration." For the moment he preferred not to make any further statement.

The Cabinet meeting lasted for 70 minutes and no official statement was issued at the close. Ministers were aware of the fact that messages from Paris had given close details of the agreement which it was reported, had been reached between M. Laval and the Foreign Secretary; but the British Government decided that no statement should be made and refused either to confirm or to deny the Paris reports. From this members assumed that the reports were accurate, at any rate in general outline, and it must be recorded that they created an unfavourable impression among the rank and file of the Government's supporters in the House of Commons. It was felt that, if the proposals were even in broad outline correct, they went far beyond anything which the House of Commons had been asked to approve, and that Abyssinia was being invited to make a larger surrender of territory than had ever been suggested in debate in the House of Commons. It was recognized that the terms to which Sir Samuel Hoare had agreed in Paris represented the full extent to which M. Laval was prepared to go; but considerable anxiety was expressed whether the House of Commons would be prepared to agree to them without protest.

BACK TO GENEVA

It is understood that the Cabinet agreed that the proposals contained in the Paris agreement should now go forward to the Council of the League of Nations, to Signor Mussolini, and to the Emperor of Abyssinia; but it cannot be recorded that there was any enthusiasm for them. Mr. Eden, in his speech in the House of Commons last week, made it clear that the proposals must be "acceptable" to the League of Nations and "accepted" by Italy and Abyssinia—a distinction in terms which has been duly noted—and the general feeling at Westminster last night was that the responsibility for final decisions has now been transferred to Geneva. Sir Robert Vansittart, the Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, did not return to London for the meeting of the Cabinet; but Mr. Peterson, the Foreign Office expert, who had brought the documents relating to the Paris agreement with him, was in attendance at the Foreign Office yesterday and will return to France this morning. After the meeting of the Cabinet Mr. Eden, who is in charge of the Foreign Office during Sir Samuel Hoare's holiday, was in telephonic communication with Paris.

There were many Ministerial conferences after the meeting of the Cabinet, and these continued for some time after the rising of the House of Commons. It was announced that Mr. Eden would be leaving for Geneva at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon as originally arranged.

OUTLINE OF PROPOSALS

It is believed that in substance the proposals drafted in Paris are:

1.—Italy would receive Danakil and the eastern part of the Tigré, including Adowa and Makale, but not Aksum.

2.—Ethiopia would obtain the port of Assab in Eitrea and a corridor to that port through Italian territory, or alternatively the port of Zeila.

3.—Italy would receive in the south all the territory included between the frontier of British Somaliland, the eighth parallel of latitude in the north and the 36th degree of longitude in the west, including most of the Ogaden.

4.—Within her new frontiers Ethiopia would preserve her full independence and would receive League assistance for her development and the carrying out of necessary reforms.

Mr. Hugh Dalton is asking tomorrow whether the Acting Foreign Secretary will now make a further statement regarding the proposals submitted on behalf of his Majesty's Government and the French Government to the Italian Government for a settlement of the war in Abyssinia.

GAMES AND PLAYERS

GERMANY AT TOTTENHAM

London, Dec. 3

Continental opinion on to-morrow's England v. Germany Association football match at Tottenham is that, while the visitors have little chance of winning, they will contribute to Britain's "education" on the improving standard of play abroad. Modern tactical tendencies of the game in England have been closely studied by German football leaders, and delegates from their controlling body have watched some of our big matches. Advice to the Germans has not been lacking, and late counsel to them was that they should not risk playing the "W" forward formation against the inventors of the system, but rely rather on exploiting the individual value of the players. Germany has played, and won, five international matches this season, all against minor football countries but it should not be forgotten that at the end of last season she was beaten on German soil by Spain. In Continental ranking she might this season be bracketed fourth with Austria and Spain, after Italy, Czecho-Slovakia, and Hungary.

THE EXPERIMENTAL GOLF BALL

A Darwen golfer writes in support of the experimental ball which will be used in a match this week: "For some years golfers have been wondering when clubs and balls would reach such a pitch of perfection that no extra length could be expected from such quarters. To those who bear in mind, however, the way in which ball manufacturers have succeeded, year after year, in producing balls of greater and still greater length it seems reasonable to assume that the scientific limit is still far from exhausted. Realising this, many golfers are seriously beginning to ponder the need for some restrictive legislation where distance is concerned—not only so that they may continue to enjoy their golf but also in the fear that unless something is done golf and golf courses will soon cease to bear more than a faint resemblance to long-established tradition. Some years ago it is doubtful whether the average club golfer with a "double-figure handicap would have welcomed any attempt to limit the flying and running propensities of the modern golf ball. The surprising distance it will travel, especially along the ground, when badly and inaccurately struck has seemed a crowning dispensation of providence to thousands of the weaker brethren. But it has become increasingly evident during the past few years that, along with these encouraging characteristics, the modern ball has slowly but surely brought about a revolution in the principles of course construction far from welcome to the middle-aged and the elderly, to whom golf has appealed in the past as a pleasant and not too strenuous form of healthful recreation.

MAKING COURSES TOO LONG

"To many golfers the pleasure of longer drives has been more than counter-balanced by the knowledge that the average course has been lengthened far beyond the limits of their physical endurance. It is a poor advertisement for any course when players stagger off the last green jaded and footsore, but that, I am assured, is a common experience in these days of reconstructed courses and extended lay-outs. Thus it would seem that even amongst those whom the long-distance ball has flattered most restrictive legislation against yet longer balls, and the consequent removal of any excuse to lengthen courses still further, would be welcomed with widespread satisfaction. Many clubs, for their part, would heave a sigh of relief that the costly and fantastic policy of lengthening courses to keep pace with technical improvements in the golf ball had at long last come to an end."

JUBILEE HOCKEY MATCH

It does not appear likely that Wales will contribute more than four players to the Anglo-Welsh team which will meet Scotland and Ireland in the Hockey Association's Jubilee match at Beckenham in January. Two of these should certainly be G. B. Dodds, the goalkeeper, and J. W. I. Hardie, back. Having had no trial games the selectors must rely on club form, and possibly they may wait until after the annual game between the Oxford Occasionals and Cambridge Wanderers on December 18 before coming to any decision. S. A. Block appears almost certain to retain his place at left back, and both J. K. Waydelin and T. L. Rowan are automatic choices. It would not be surprising to see A. T. Sharpe (Wales) given preference over E. S. Hoare at centre-half if Wales is to have a fifth player; in this case Wales would presumably supply the right wing and leave Whitlock, Milford, and Ogilvy as the other three. Last season's Welsh right wing was J. H. M. Evans and A. Angear, but E. G. Clarke may be preferred to Angear, and Evans was not good for Durham in a county match on Saturday. In the other side Coates, of Ireland, seems certain to be in goal, and Leyland Naylor and McLeod, the Scottish pair, should be at back. At centre-half Coulson will probably be preferred to Morrison, for Ireland are hardly likely to supply either wing half while Marsh and Evers are available. Howe, Cook, and Mc Veagh should certainly be seen in the forward line, with Anderson, of Oxford, as inside right, and James or Sneddon in the centre.

MATTING WICKETS DEFENDED

Transvaal opinion appears to be divided on the merits of turf wickets, especially for young players. At a recent meeting of the Transvaal Cricket Union it was apparent that the majority of the clubs' representatives were against adopting a turf-wicket policy until success at a reasonable cost could be assured. H. G Deane, who captained the South African Test team in 1929 and was recently elected to the Transvaal Board, caused surprise by saying that he "would oppose the policy of giving Transvaal high schools financial or other assistance towards the establishment of turf wickets." Deane, who proved himself one of the shrewdest captains South Africa has ever had, said that matting wickets helped considerably to win the Test at Lord's during the recent tour of England.

C. PARKER, UMPIRE

The appointment yesterday of C. Parker as a first-class umpire brings to a rather unexpected end the distinguished playing career of this great Gloucestershire bowler. To Parker, who is now in his fifty-first year, fame came late. It was not until after the war that he took a prominent position among English bowlers. Born at Presbury on October 14, 1884, he played golf as a boy, and he gave no serious thought to cricket till he was seventeen or eighteen years of age. He played his first match for Gloucestershire in 1905, but it was not until 1920 that he really asserted himself. As a bowler on the slow side of medium pace he stood alone, and the left-hander's usual spin and break combined to make him even more difficult to play. Five times he has taken 200 or more wickets in a season for Gloucestershire. Although he was probably the most consistent slow left-hand bowler of his day, his Test appearances against Australia were limited to one, at Manchester in 1921. Against Essex at Gloucester in 1925 he took seventeen wickets for 56 runs, against Middlesex at Bristol in 1924 he did the hat-trick in each innings, and against Somerset at Bristol in 1921 he took all ten wickets in an innings for 79 runs. Last season Parker took 103 wickets in championship matches for Gloucestershire at an average of 24.54 runs. For Gloucestershire against Yorkshire at Bristol in 1922 in his benefit match Parker hit the wicket five times with consecutive balls. The second delivery of the five was, however, a no-ball.

An extraordinary sight was witnessed on a lonely beach fifty miles from Cape Town, when upwards of 300 huge toothed whales, known as fales killers, dashed themselves ashore on November 26. A fisherman who witnessed it said it was an awe-inspiring sight as the great shoal made a determined dash for the shore at dawn at high tide, leaping over the rocks and dashing themselves to death against the sharp surfaces until they were all killed. The bodies either floated back to the sea or were stranded high on the beach, which is now thickly littered with their vast black forms. Another school of whales, this time forty of the bottlenose variety, were stranded on November 27 on the beach between Carnoustie and Buddon Ness, on the Forfarshire side of the Tay estuary. The whales at Carnoustie measure from five to 20 feet long, and the larger specimens are estimated to weigh two tons. The school is spread two miles along the beach, and difficulty was found in removing the whales. Some of them were alive 24 hours after they became stranded.

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2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5 to 8 p.m.—European Programme.
5 to 6 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.
6 to 6.30 p.m.—CHILDREN'S STUDIO CONCERT.
6.30 to 7 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.
7 to 7.13 p.m.—"In a Fairy Realm Suite" (Albert Ketelbey)
7.13 to 7.30 p.m.—Vocal Gems.
Faust (Gounod).
Veronique (Messeger).
7.30 to 7.46 p.m.—A Recital by Carroll Gibbons and his Boy Friends
1. Judy.
2. Stars fell in Alabama.
3. You've got to admit.
4. Give me a heart to sing to.
5. If the Moon turns green.
7.46 to 8 p.m.—The Bohemians.
The Dollar Princess Waltz (Fall)
Moonlight on the Alster Waltz (Fetras).
Moss Rose—Waltz (Bosc).
My Dream—Waltz (Waldteufel).
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report;
Closing Local Stock Quotations.
8.05 to 11 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
11 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05 to 10 p.m.—European Programme from Z.E.K. on a Frequency of 640 kilocycles.
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Doubinushka (arr. Rimsky-Korsakov)
Polovtsi March (Borodin).
Eugen Onegin—Waltz (Tschaikovsky).
Elegiac Melody (Grieg).
8.35 to 8.48 p.m.—A Recital by Richard Tauber (Tenor)
1. Dein ist Mein Ganzes Herz (Lehar).
2. Immer nur Lacheln (Lehar).
3. Thine my thoughts are, Margarita (Helmund).
4. Good Night, Oh! my Love! (Abt).
8.48 to 9 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.
Hawaiian Stars are gleaming.
Oh! Rosalita.
Sweet Hawaiian Maid.
Hawaiian Paradise.
9 to 9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.15 to 9.30 p.m.—Ensemble Singing.
Since we fell out of love.—The Mills Brothers.
Mr. Whittington — Selection. — Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph.
Ole Faithful.—The Hill Billies.
Feminine Fancies.—The Carlyle Cousins.
9.30 to 10 p.m.—Dance music.
10 p.m.—Big Ben: close down.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following list of ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio yesterday:—

Soli, Sinabang, Nanchang, Hwah Shun, Sungshan Maru, Cetus, Genoa Maru, Roggeveen, Negato Maru, Rashin Maru, Hai Hing, Patroclus, Ostri, Tamara, President Cleveland, Toko Maru, Arabia Maru, President Hoover, General Pershing, Ginyo Maru, Tug Taikoo, General Lee and Naldera.

The shop detective crept up to the shop-walker.

"I'm suspicious of that woman; she seems furtive."

"Well," replied the shop-walker, "keep your eye on the furs."

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The year coming to a close today was not a good one for the share market, the world depression and other circumstances having caused a severe slump, during a great part of the year but towards the close a smart recovery took place and it may be said that the market is quite normal now, as confidence has been restored and business is being conducted on a sound basis, artificial manipulation having been almost eliminated.

WE WISH OUR CLIENTS A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

BUYERS

Hongkong Banks, $1483.
Bank of East Asia, $76.
Venz. Goldfields, $3.
Wharves (old), $97½.
Providents (old), $1.45.
Hotels, $5½.
Hongkong Lands, $35½.
Humphreys, $10.35.
Peak Trams (old), $5.
Star Ferries, $88½.
Yaumati Ferries, $17½.
China Lights, $10.70.
China Lights Rights, $4.55.
Electrics, $68½.
Telephones (old), $25.40.
Cements, $7.20.
H. K. Ropes, $4½.
Dairy Farms, $20½.
Sinceres, $2.20.
Govt. 3½... Loan, par.

SELLERS

Antamoks, $1.30.

SALES

Hongkong Banks, $1485/1490.
Providents (old), $1½.
Hongkong Lands, $36½.
Hongkong Lands 4% Debentures, 100.
Humphreys, $10½.
China Lights, $10.55.
China Lights Rights, $4.55.
Electrics, $69.
Telephones (old), $25.35/25.45.
Cements, $7.
H. K. Ropes, $4.85.

H. K. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

BUYERS

Bank of East Asia, $77.
China Fires, $475.
H.K. Fires $255.
Douglases, $35.
Steamboats, $3.
Waterboats, $12.
Antamoks, $1.15.
Baguio Gold, 15½ cts.
Lands, $36.
Humphreys, $10.30.
Wharves, $98.
Providents old, $1.45.
Star Ferries, $88½.
Yaumati Ferries, $18.
Lights, $10.60.
Light Rights, $4½.
Electrics, $69.
Telephones old, $25.35.
Canton Ices, $1½.
Cements, $7.
Ropes, $5.
Dairy Farms, $20½.
Constructions old, $1½.
Constructions New, 30 cts.
Nanyangs, $3.20.
Sinceres, $2.20.
H.K. Wing On, $38½.
S'hai Wing On, $45
Watsons, $4½.

SELLERS

H.K. Fires, $265.
Trams, $14.65.

SALES

Lights, $10½.
Light Rights, $4.50/5.55.
Cements, $7.
Ropes, $4.85.

AIR BOMBING

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]

Addis Ababa, Dec. 30

The Abyssinian positions at Daggah Bur were bombed for eight hours by four Italian planes.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

LAVAL'S TALK

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]

Paris, Dec. 30.

Premier Laval had a conversation with the British Ambassador, Sir George Clerk, on Monday afternoon. Nothing was announced as to the subject of discussion.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

Sui Nakamura, 27-year-old Japanese wife of a Chinese pirate, who was deported from China recently, on her arrival in Kobe in the s.s. Tatsuta Maru, stated, when interviewed by local reporters, "I found a pirate's life exciting and worthwhile. I learned how to drive an automobile and to handle a machine gun." She also stated that she was going to spend the rest of her life on a farm in her native village.

A British journalist in Sofia, representative of a semi-official British news agency as well as of the "New York Times" has been notified that his permit of residence in Bulgaria, which expired on December 24, will not be renewed.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "ANDRE LEBON" 4ᵉA/36.

BRINGING CARGO FROM MARSEILLE, &c.

ARRIVED ON SATURDAY, 28TH DECEMBER, 1935 AT 11.00 P.M.

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of Hong Kong, Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 7th Jan., 1936, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on 4th Jan., 1936.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 28th Dec., 1935. [4085

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE M.V. "DUISBURG"

having arrived, from Hamburg and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd Jan., 1936, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 31st Dec., 1935, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 26th Jan., 1936, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JEBSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 26th Dec., 1935. [4081

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U. S. SILVER PLAN

PRICE LOWERED SUDDENLY

London Market Confusion

London, Dec. 10.

Great confusion was caused in the London silver market yesterday by a sudden change in the U.S. policy of buying the metal.

Recently, America has been willing to take all the silver offered at the London price. Yesterday, London dealers were faced with offerings of 5,000,000oz from the Far East but U.S. orders failed to materialise at once.

Eventually, the orders appeared but at a price considerably lower than usual.

As a result the London price after months of stability, fell 7-16d to 2s 4¾d an ounce.

Considerable difficulty was experienced in getting into touch with the Washington authorities responsible for the silver buying. The fixing of the London price, as a consequence, was delayed for three hours.

The City was anxious to know whether this development meant that America had abandoned her policy of buying unlimited amounts of silver. No indication could be obtained last night of Washington's attitude.

BUYING CHINA'S STOCKS

While the amount of the offerings from the Far East was not so large as on other occasions, it was considerably heavier than of late and was too much for the market here to absorb without American demand.

Yesterday's development has brought home with impressive force the danger of an artificially controlled market with only one principal buyer.

In usually well-informed quarters it is believed that America is negotiating to take over China's silver stocks direct without buying in London. Were this to happen the United States would become the one silver country of the world and China presumably would join the gold bloc.

It is not expected, however, that the negotiations will be successful.

Under the Silver Purchase Act of 1934 America decided to buy silver until the backing for her note issue consisted of 25 per cent. silver and 75 per cent. gold or until the price reached $1.29 an ounce. In accordance with this policy very heavy purchases have been made in recent months.

Assumptions of a stable market with America willing to take unlimited amounts, are now apparently no longer justified.

BERLIN SHARE MARKET

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright*).]

Berlin, Dec. 30.

The firmer tendency exhibited on Saturday, was well maintained in Monday's share market which was marked by a friendly tone, buyers being more plentiful than for sometime past. Fixed Interest Securities were also friendlier, the prices in some stocks improving appreciably. Call money was at 3 to 3½.

Young Loan was 1/8 firmer to 103½. Reichsbanks rose 3/4 to 180¾. Dye Trusts improved 1/8 to 148¾. Salzdetfurth Potash were 1/4 better to 173¼. German Steel Trusts rose 1 point to 74¼. German Mineral Oils were 7/8 higher to 106½. Siemenshalske rose 1¼ to 164¾. Bemberg Rayon were 1⅛ higher at 99⅜.—

Transocean Kuo Min.

REICHSMARK QUOTATIONS

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (*Copyright*).]

Berlin, Dec. 30.

Reichsmarks quotations (without guarantee).

New York	40.21
Paris	610.9
Amsterdam	59.215
London	12.25
Paris Sterling	74.52 to 55
Dollar	15.117 to 125

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LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE)

	December 23.	December 30.
Paris	74-25 32	74 35/64
Geneva	15.8½	15 14½
Berlin	12.26½	12.25
Athens		
Milan	61½	61¾
Shanghai		
New York	4.92¾	4.92¾
Amsterdam	7.27	7.25¾
Vienna		
Prague	119	118¾
Bucharest		665
Madrid		36 31/32
Lisbon		
Hong Kong	1/3-9/16	1/3 13/16
Brussels	29.27	29.24
Montevideo	39-11/16	39¾ S.O.
Belgrade		216
Montreal	4.96¼	4.96¼
Yokohama		
Helsingfors		
Rio		4½ S.O.
Buenos Aires		
Silver (Spot	21-5/16	22 1/16
Silver (forward)		
War Loan	105½	3½% 106

Closing Quotations

December 31, 1935.

On LONDON:—
Telegraphic Transfer... } 1 3⅜
Bank Bills, on demand }
Bank Bills, 4 months' sight 1/3⅞
Credits. four months' sight 1/4¼

On SHANGHAI:—
On Demand 107½

On SINGAPORE:—
On demand 55½

On JAPAN:—
On demand 111¼

On INDIA:—
Telegraphic Transfer... } 86
Bank, on demand........ }

On NEW YORK:—
Bank Bills, on demand 32 1/16
Credits, 60 days' sight 33 1/16

On BATAVIA:—
On demand 47⅛

On PARIS:—
Bank Bills, on demand 485
Credits, 4 month's sight 507½

On SAIGON:—
On demand .... 4⁹⁄₁₆

On MANILA:—
On demand 64½

On BANGKOK:—
On demand 142½

SOVEREIGNS. Bank Buying Rate 1/4½

BAR SILVER, per oz. 22 1/16

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Agency)

QUOTATIONS

New York: December 31.

	High	Low	Last Close	Today's Close	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	—	—	4.93¾	4.93	¾ off
New York Cotton—Mar.	11.30	11.23	11.20	11.28	.08 up
New York Rubber—Mar.	13.63	13.56	13.33a	13.61	.08 up
Chicago Wheat —May.	100⅞	99⅜	99¼	100⅜	1⅛ up
Chicago Corn —May.	60¾	60⅜	60¼	60⅜	0⅛ up
Silver—Official	—	— unquoted		49¾	

Dow Jones Averages.	High—1934/35	Low:	Dec. 28.	Dec. 30.	Change
30 Industrials	148.94	96.71	140.77	143.00	2.23 up
20 Rails	41.84	27.31	39.39	40.02	.63 up
20 Utilities	29.96	14.46	28.69	29.35	.66 up
40 Bonds	98.31	93.43	98.31	98.42	.11 up
11 Commodity Index	62.10	52.46	56.52	57.08	.56 up

Business Done:—1,630,000 shares.

Stock & Div.	Last Sale Dec. 28	Dec. 30
Adams Express	10⅞	10⅞
Amer. Can (4)	132¾	136¼
Am. Cyanamid "B" (.25dr.)	29½	29⅜
Am. For. Pwr	6¾	7⅛
Am. For. Pwr. $7 1st Pf.	—	—
Am. Locomotive	25	25½
Am. Radiator	23¼	24¼
Am. Smelting	59½	60¼
Am. T. and T. (9)	153¾	155
Am. Tob "B" (5)	97¼	100
Am. Waterworks (1)	21⅜	22¼
Am. Waterworks $6 pref (6)	90½	92
Anaconda Copper	28¼	29
Atch. T. and S. F. (2sd.)		
Auburn Automobile	42½	43½
Baltimore & Ohio	18¾	19¼
Bethlehem Steel	40	40¾
Boeing Airplane	98½*	99¼
Borden Co. (1.60)	—	—
Borg. Warner (1dr.)	—	—
Case	93	94¾
Canadian Pacific	10¾	11
Caterpillar Tract		
Ch. Nat. Bk. (1.40)	41*	42½*
C'Peake Corp. (2.50)	56¾	58¼
C'Peake Corp. and Ohio (2.80)	50	50½
Chrysler (1d)	91	92¾
Col. Gas & Elec.	13½	13¾
Comm. Solv. (.60)	88½*	89¾
Comm. Sthrn.	2¼	2⅞
Comm. Sthrn. $6		
Cons. Oil (.28)		
cum. Pf. (6)	30½	31¾
Cons. Gas. N-Y (2)		
Cont. Oil (.25)	33	34¾
Corn Prod (3)	42¼	41¾†
Douglas Aircraft	51½	53¾
Du Pont (2.60z)	138	137¾
Elec. Bond & Share	15¾	16
Elec. Bond $5 Pf (5)	—	—
Elec. Bond $6 Pf (6)	76½	77
Fox Film "A"	—	—
Gen. Elec. (.60)	37½	37⅞
Gen. Foods (1.80)	33⅜	33⅜
Gen. Motors (1d)	55¾	56½
Gen. Rly. Sigs (1)	39¼	40

† ex. div. * Bid

Stock & Div	Last Sale Dec. 28	Dec. 30
Gold Dust (1.20)	19	19½
Goodyear	22⅜	23†
Int. Cement		
Int. Nick (.60)	44¾	45¾
Int. Tel. & Tel.	12¾	13
Johns Manville		
Kennecott (.15i)	27¾	28¾
Loew's (1)	50½	51½
Lorill. (1.20)	23¾	24
Mont. Ward	38	38⅜
Nat City Bk. (1)	36¾*	38¼*
Nat. Da. P. (1.20)	21¼	21⅜
Nat. Distillers	30¼	30⅞
Nat. Pwr. Lt. (.80)		
N.Y. Central	26½	27¾
N. Amer. (50c. 4%s)	26¼	27½
Pac. Gas (1.50)	30⅜	30⅜†
Pac. Ltng. (3)		
Packard Motors	6⅜	6⅞
Penn. Rly. (1)	30½	30⅞
Phil. Petro (1)	38¼	39½
Pub. Ser. N.J. (2.80)	45½	46½
Radio Corpn.	12	12½
Rey. Tob "B" (3)		
Schenley		
Sears Roebuck	54	55½
Soc.-Vac. (.60)	63¾	64¾
Srn. Cal. Ed. (1.50)	13⅝	14
Southern Pacific	24¼	24¾
Stan. Brands (1)	22⅞	23⅜
Stan. Gas	15½	15¼
Sta Oil NJ (1)	5⅞	6
Ster.-Pro. (2.80)	65	65
Studebaker Corpn		
Texas G. Sulp (2)	31¾	32¾
Transamerica (1.12½)	13	13⅜
Un. Car. and Carb (1.40)	70½	71⅞
Un. Pac. Rlys. (6)	107¼	108
Un. Aircraft Corp.	27¾	28⅜
Un. Air Line Trans.	13	13
United Corpn.	6⅞	7
Uni. Gas Impr. (1.20)	42	42½
Univ. Leaf Tob. (2)	17¼	17¾
U.S. Indus. Alcohol	65½	66¼
U.S. Rubber	15⅜	16¼
U.S. Steel	46	47¼
Vanddium	19½	19⅞
Warner Bros. Picts.	9⅜	9½
West E. & M. (.65)	94½	96½
Call Money	¾%	¾%

† possible [illegible]

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M.S. "VICTORIA" 5th April (a)
S.S. "CONTE VERDE" 8th May (b)
S.S. "CONTE ROSSO" 31st May (b)
M.S. "VICTORIA" 21st June (a)
S.S. "CONTE VERDE" 19th July (b)
S.S. "CONTE ROSSO" 9th Aug. (b)

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S.S. "CONTE VERDE" 23rd Apr.
S.S. "CONTE ROSSO" 16th May
M.S. "VICTORIA" 6th June
S.S. "CONTE VERDE 4th July
S.S. "CONTE ROSSO" 25th July

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CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel "LYCAON"

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE.

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 30th Dec.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th Jan., will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th Jan., 1936, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
Agents.

30th December, 1935. [4092

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Latest Singapore Prices

H. B. JOSEPH & CO.

Messrs H. B. Joseph & Co. received the following quotations in Straits Currency from Singapore for Raw Rubber.

	Buyers	Sellers
Spot	22¼ up ⅛	22½
Jan./Mar.	22⅜ up ⅛	22⅞
Apr./June	23¼ up ⅛	23⅜
July/Sept.	23⅜ up ⅛	23¾

Market:—Manufacturers buying.

London and Liverpool stocks down 545 tons.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "YALOU" 2ᵉAXO/36.

BRINGING CARGO From MARSEILLES, &c.

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON TUESDAY, THE 24TH DECEMBER, 1935.

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed & stored into the godowns of the Hong Kong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 3rd Jan., 1936, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on 30th Dec., 1935.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 24th December, 1935. [4075

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

From LEITH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE S.S. "BENLEDI"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the HONG KONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., whence and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd Jan., 1936, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th Jan., 1936, or they will not be recognised.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st Dec. 1935, at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 24th Dec., 1935. [4078

CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED

Shanghai & Dairen	"SUNNING"	On	1st Jan., 6 a.m.
Heihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KWANGTUNG"	On	1st Jan., 3 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TSINAN"	On	2nd Jan., Noon
Swatow, Shanghai, Tsingtao, Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin	"YINGCHOW"	On	3rd Jan., 10 a.m.
Hoihow & Singapore	"MUINAM"	On	3rd Jan., 11.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KAYING"	On	3rd Jan., 3 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"KIUNGCHOW"	On	4th Jan., 5 p.m.
Foochow & Shanghai	"NANCHANG"	On	5th Jan., 6 a.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"SUIYANG"	On	5th Jan., 6 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KIANGSU"	On	5th Jan., Noon
Swatow & S'hai.	"HUICHOW"	On	7th Jan., 10 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow, Tsingtao, Chefoo & Tientsin	"CHEKIANG"	On	8th Jan., 10 a.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TAIYUAN"	On	8th Jan., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai, Tsingtao, Chefoo & Tientsin	"YUNNAN"	On	10th Jan., 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KINGYUAN"	On	10th Jan., 3 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"KWANGTUNG"	On	11th Jan., 5 p.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"SUOCHOW"	On	12th Jan., 10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KALGAN"	On	13th Jan., Noon
Swatow, Foochow & Shanghai	"STEAMER"	On	14th Jan., 10 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow, Tsingtao, Chefoo & Tientsin	"CHUNGKING"	On	15th Jan., 10 a.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TSINAN"	On	15th Jan., 5 p.m.
Swatow & Amoy	"ANHUI"	On	17th Jan., Noon
Swatow & Bangkok	"KWEIYANG"	On	17th Jan., Noon
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KIUNGCHOW"	On	17th Jan., 3 p.m.

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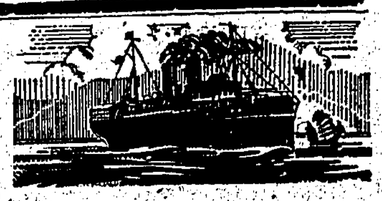

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Tsinan, B. & S., January 2.
Hantan, Douglas', January 3.
Kiungchow, B. & S., January 4.
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., January 5
Haiyang, Douglas', Jan. 7.
Taiyuan, B. & S., January 8.
Fukuken Maru, O.S.K., January 9.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), January 9.
Haining, Douglas', January 10.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, Jan. 10.
Kwangtung, B. & S., January 11.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., January 12.
Tsinan, B. & S., January 15.
Kumsang, Jardine's, January 16.
Shirala, B.I. (Apcar), January 24.

Chefoo.
Yatshing, Jardine's, January 1.
Hangsang, Jardine's, January 3.
Yingchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Hopsang, Jardine's, January 7.
Chekiang, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 10.
Chungking, B. & S., January 15.

Dairy.
Sunning, B. & S., January 1.
Ruhr, Jebsen's, January 4.
Ruhr, Jebsen's, January 6.
Pembrokeshire, Jardine's, Jan. 7.
Neckar, Melchers', January 11.
City of Dunkirk, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
Leverkusen, Jebsen's, Jan. 14
Oder, Melchers', January 17.
City of Hereford, Bank Line, Jan. 18.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Jan. 19.

Foochow.
Haitan, Douglas', January 3.
Hangsang, Jardine's, January 3.
Yingchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Nanchang, B. & S., Jan. 5.
Haiyang, Douglas', Jan. 7.
Hopsang, Jardine's, January 7.
Chekiang, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Haining, Douglas', January 10
Chungking, B. & S., January 15.

JAPAN (Direct).
Hosang, Jardine's, January 1.
Kumsang, Jardine's, January 16.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 17.

Keelung.
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., January 5.
Nagara Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Canada Maru, O.S.K., January 9.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., January 12.
Naruto Maru, N.Y.K., January 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.

Shanghai and Japan.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 1.
Sumatra, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 2.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 5.
Ruhr, Jebsen's, January 6.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Nagara Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), January 9.
Chitral, P. & O., January 10.
General Pershing, States Co., Jan. 11.
Marechal Joffre, Messageries', Jan. 11.
Neckar, Melchers', January 11.
Afrika, E.A. Co., January 12.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.
Leverkusen, Jebsen's, Jan. 14.
Naruto Maru, N.Y.K., January 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 17.
Oder, Melchers', January 17.
City of Hereford, Bank Line, Jan. 18.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 19.
Teneriffe, Thoresen's, January 23.
Trianon, Thoresen's, January 23.
Cathay, P. & O., Jan. 24.
Shirala, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 24.
Sphinx, Messageries', January 25.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Empress of Asia, C.P.S., January 29.

SHANGHAI AND VIA PORTS.
Sunning, B. & S., January 1.
Chaksang, Jardine's, January 3.
Yingchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Tsinan, B. & S., January 2.
Kiungchow, B. & S., January 4.
Nanchang, B. & S., Jan. 5.
Suiyang, B. & S., January 5.
Taksang, Jardine's, Jan. 5.
Huichow, B. & S., January 7.
Norviken, Jardine's, Jan. 8.
Taiyuan, B. & S., January 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, Jan. 10.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 10.
Kwangtung, B. & S., January 11.
Soochow, B. & S., Jan. 12.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 15.
Tsinan, B. & S., January 15.

Swatow.
Seistan, Douglas', Jan. 1.
Yatshing, Jardine's, January 1.
Chaksang, Jardine's, January 3.
Hangsang, Jardine's, January 3.
Haitan, Douglas', January 3.
Yingchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Hiram, Thoresen's, January 5
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., January 5.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Jan. 5.
Seistan, Douglas', Jan. 5.
Suiyang, B. & S., January 5.
Taksang, Jardine's, Jan. 5.
Haiyang, Douglas', Jan. 7
Hopsang, Jardine's, January 7.
Huichow, B. & S., January 7.
Chekiang, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Norviken, Jardine's, Jan. 8.
Fukuken Maru, O.S.K., January 9.
Haining, Douglas', January 10.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 10.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., January 12.
Hellas, Thoresen's, January 12.
Kalgan, B. & S., January 12.
Soochow, B. & S., Jan. 12.
Chungking, B. & S., January 15.
Helios, Thoresen's, January 19.

Taku.
Neckar, Melchers', January 11.
Oder, Melchers', January 17.

Tientsin.
Yatshing, Jardine's, January 1.
Hangsang, Jardine's, January 3
Yingchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Hopsang, Jardine's, January 7.
Chekiang, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 10.
Chungking, B. & S., January 15.

Tsingtao.
Chaksang, Jardine's, January 3.
Yingchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Taksang, Jardine's, Jan. 5.
Ruhr, Jebsen's, January 6.
Chekiang, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Norviken, Jardine's, Jan. 8.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 10.
Neckar, Melchers', January 11.
City of Dunkirk, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
Chungking, B. & S., January 15
Oder, Melchers', January 17.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Jan. 19.

EASTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

Balboa.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Baltimore.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Boston and New York.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Nagara Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Naruto Maru, N.Y.K., January 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Cristobal.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.

Honolulu.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.

Los Angeles.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K. January 8.
Nagara Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Naruto Maru, N.Y.K., January 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.
Roseville, Bank Line, Jan. 25.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Panama.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Nagara Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Naruto Maru, N.Y.K., January 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Philadelphia.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, January 3.
Gertrude Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Portland and Puget Sound
General Pershing, States Co., Jan. 11.
Roseville, Bank Line, Jan. 25.

San Francisco.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
General Pershing, States Co., Jan. 11.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18.
Roseville, Bank Line, Jan. 25.

Vancouver, B.C.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.
Empress of Asia, C.P.S., January 29.

Victoria, B.C.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.
Empress of Asia, C.P.S., January 29.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports, East and West.
Nankin, E. & A., Dec. 31.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.

Bali.
Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, January 7.

Bangkok.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Jan. 5.
Hiram, Thoresen's, January 5.
Hellas, Thoresen's, January 12.
Kalgan, B. & S., January 12.
Helios, Thoresen's, January 19.

Batavia.
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Somerville, Bank Line, January 22.

Beiwan
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Isar, Melchers', January 13.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 15.
Crefeld, Melchers', Jan. 28.

Brisbane.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.

Cairns.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.

Cebu
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Silversandal, Furness', February 2.

Davao.
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Silversandal, Furness', February 2.

Haiphong.
Kwangtung, B. & S., January 1.
Kaying, B. & S., January 3.
Kingyuan, B. & S., January 10.

Hobart.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.

Hoihow.
Kwangtung, B. & S., January 1.
Kaying, B. & S., January 3.
Muinam, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Kingyuan, B. & S., January 10.

Kaviena
Bremerhaven, Melchers', January 8.

Madang.
Friderun, Melchers', February 1.

Manila.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., January 2.
General Pershing, States Co., Jan. 4.
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, January 7.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Jan. 17.
Helmvard, Jebsen's, January 22.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.
Empress of Russia, C.P.S., Feb. 1.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.
Silversandal, Furness', February 2.

Makassar
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, January 7.

Melbourne.
Nankin, E. & A., Dec. 31.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.

Pakhoi.
Kwangtung, B. & S., January 1.
Kaying, B. & S., January 3.
Kingyuan, B. & S., January 10.

Rabaul.
Bremerhaven, Melchers', January 8.
Friderun, Melchers', February 1.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.

Samoa.
Anna Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 14.

Salamaua.
Friderun, Melchers', February 1.

Sandakan.
Mausang, Jardine's, January 3.
Hinsang, Jardine's, Jan. 18.

Semarang
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Somerville, Bank Line, January 22.

Soerabaya.
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, January 7.
Somerville, Bank Line, January 22.

South Sea.
Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, January 7.
Bremerhaven, Melchers', January 8.
Somerville, Bank Line, January 22.
Friderun, Melchers', February 1.

Sydney.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 1.

Thursday Island.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.

Townsville.
Taiping, B. & S., January 10.

Tulagi.
Bremerhaven, Melchers', January 8.

WESTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.

Antwerp.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Taiwan, Thordsen's, January 25.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Barcelona.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.

Beyreuth.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.

Bombay.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4
Chokoh Maru, O.S.K., January 4.
China Maru, O.S.K., January 8.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Mirzapore, P. & O., January 11.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.

Boston and New York.
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Silversandal, Furness', February 2

Bremen.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Calcutta.
Shinko Maru, O.S.K., January 2.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 4.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Jan. 8.
Tilawa, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 18.
Havre Maru, O.S.K., January 20.

Casablanca.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Colombo.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Chokoh Maru, O.S.K., January 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
China Maru, O.S.K., January 8.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Mirzapore, P. & O., January 11.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Andre Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 14.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Djibouti.
Andre Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 14.

Genoa.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.

Gibraltar.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25

Gothenburg.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.

Halifax.
Cingalese Prince, Furness', Jan. 5.
Silversandal, Furness', February 2.

Hamburg.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4
City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 8.
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Havre.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4
City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 8.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.

Hull.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.

Istanbul.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.

Karachi
Mirzapore, P. & O., January 11.

Leith
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.

Liverpool.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.

London
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4
City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 8.
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.

Malta.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.

Marseilles.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.

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To	Steamship	Date
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHAKSANG"	Fri., 3rd Jan., at Noon
	"TAKSANG"	Sun., 5th Jan., at 4 p.m.
	"NORVIKEN"	Wed., 8th Jan., at 9 a.m.
AMOY, KOBE & OSAKA	"KUMSANG"	Thurs., 16th Jan., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Wed., 8th Jan., at 5 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Fri., 3rd Jan., at Noon
	"HINSANG"	Satur., 18th Jan., at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW FOOCHOW & CHEFOO	"HANGSANG"	Fri., 3rd Jan., at 9 a.m.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW, SHANGHAI & CHEFOO	"HOPSANG"	Tues., 7th Jan., at 9 a.m.

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Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Naples.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.

Oran.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Oslo.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.

Penang.
Bhutan, P. & O., January 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 4.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Jan. 8.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Mirzapore, P. & O., January 11.
Tilawa, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 18.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, January 23.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.

Piraeus.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8

Plymouth.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25

Port Said.
Bhutan, P. & O., January 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 10.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Andre Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 14.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 25.
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 25.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Port Swettenham
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 4.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.

Rangoon.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 4.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Tilawa, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 18.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, January 23.

Rotterdam.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 8.
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Behar, P. & O., January 18.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Crefeld, Melchers', January 28.

Singapore.
Muinam, B. & S., Jan. 3
Bhutan, P. & O., January 4.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 4.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 8.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Jan. 8.
Benvenue, Loxley's, January 9.
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Behar, P. & O., January 18
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Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.
Somerville, Bank Line, Jan. 22.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Jan. 23.
Stuttgart, Melchers', Jan. 24.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
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Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.
Crefeld, Melchers', Jan. 28.

Suez.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Andre Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 14.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, January 22.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 26.

Tangier.
Carthage, P. & O., January 11.

Valencia.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.

VESSELS DUE

Afrika, E.A. Co., January 12.
Ajax, B. & S., February 16.
Andre Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 14.
Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 17.
Antenor, B. & S., February 1.
Arabia Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 1.
Australien, E.A. Co., February 1.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Bulanga Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 4.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 10.
Chenonceaux, Messageries', February 8.
City of Dunkirk, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 8.
City of Hereford, Bank Line, Jan. 15.
Crefeld, Melchers', Jan. 28.
Diomed, B. & S., February 10.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, Jan. 25.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 8.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., January 2.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Jan. 17.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., February 1.
Fridrun, Melchers', Jan. 23.
General Pershing, States Co., Jan. 3.
Glaucus, B. & S., January 13.
Gneisenau, Melchers', February 4.
Golden Mountain, States Co., Jan. 12.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 3.
Heimvard, Jebsen's, January 22.
Isar, Melchers', January 12.
Leverkusen, Jebsen's, Jan. 13.
Marechal Joffre, Messageries', Jan. 11.
Memnon, B. & S., January 19.
Nauru Chief, Dodwell's, Jan. 11.
Neckar, Melchers', January 11.
Nellore, P. & O., Jan. 4.
Oder, Melchers', January 17.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 4.
Perseus, B. & S., Jan. 7.
Philoctetes, B. & S., January 13.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar's, Jan. 6
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, Jan. 3.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, Jan. 10.
Pres. Johnson, A.M. Line, Jan. 3.
Roseville, Bank Line, Jan. 25.
Ruhr, Jebsen's, January 5.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 2.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Jan. 14.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 7.
Somerville, Bank Line, Jan. 21.
Sphinx, Messageries', January 25.
Stuttgart, Melchers', January 15.
Sumatra, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 1.

LETTER IN WILL DISPUTE

"WIFE WILL BLOW THE LOT" STATEMENT

Estate Of £939,634

The litigation concerning the estate of Mr. Arthur Gilstrap Soames, of Sheffield Park, Uckfield, Sussex, was again before Mr Justice Pennett in the Probate Division last month.

Mr. Soames, who was an uncle of Lady Baden-Powell, left £939,634.

The plaintiffs, Sir Barry Domvile, of Robins Tree, Kingston Road, Putney Vale, S.W., and Sir Ronald Macleay, propounded a will of June 8, under which they were appointed executors and trustees.

Captain Arthur Granville Soames, a nephew, was the defendant. He contested that will, claiming that Mr. Soames was not of sound mind, memory and understanding when it was made. He set up a will dated April 5, 1933, with a codicil of April 18, 1934, and counter-claimed that these two documents should be admitted to probate.

Mrs. Soames, widow of the testator, intervened in the action.

SIX DAYS AFTER WILL

Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., continuing his opening speech for Sir Barry Domvile and Sir Ronald Macleay, read a letter written by Mr. Soames on June 8, 1934, six days after the will of June 8, 1934, propounded by the executors. It was addressed to his solicitor, Mr. Llewellyn Davies, and read as follows:

"I heard sundry things that displeased me of my nephew Captain Soames's doings, whilst holding the position of power of attorney, but when I heard that he had abstracted my will and the codicils thereto from the National Provincial Bank, I decided that he was not a fit person to act as executor of my will or to be the residuary legatee."

The subject matter of the letter, said Mr. Birkett, was the basis upon which rested the allegation that Mr. Soames suffered from a delusion. Counsel submitted that there was nothing in the 89 years of Mr. Soames's life that justified any such allegation, save the letter which he suggested was a normal letter.

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E/Russia	Feb. 26	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5		Mar. 14
E/Japan	Mar. 6	Mar. 8		Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar 24
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar 26	Mar. 28		April 6
E/Canada	April 3	April 5		April 8	April 10	April 17	April 22
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25		May 4
E/Japan	May 1	May 3		May 6	May 8	May 14	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23		June 1
E/Canada	May 29	May 31		June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20		June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28		July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18		July 27
E/Canada	July 24	July 26		July 29	July 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 12

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Daily Statement, Clearances, Ships in Harbour, etc.

A HOUSEWIFE'S PARADISE

The Queen Mary's Linen Lockers

In many ways the Cunard-White Star liner Queen Mary is going to be a housewife's paradise.

While men passengers are admiring the engines, women will be longing to look inside the linen lockers.

Immense stocks of linen—of a total value of about £45,000—are being supplied for the ship. This order is probably the largest ever placed by a shipping company.

It comprises some 500,000 articles, ranging from dusters to towels and from oven cloths to bed coverlets and counterpanes.

This huge supply has been necessitated by the shortness of the Queen Mary's stay in port between voyages. To ensure that fresh supplies will always be available triplicate stock of linen have been ordered.

One stock will be carried on board the liner, the other two will be retained at Southampton and New York for immediate transfer to the ship on her arrival.

Belfast is solely responsible for the supply of all the linen and union goods, Manchester and district supply the cotton goods, while Yorkshire is the source for blankets and travelling rugs.

PASSENGERS

S.S. Nankin

The "Nankin" arrived on Monday carrying a large complement of transit passengers. Among those who disembarked here were Mr J. C. Charlton and Mr. J. C. Whitlow. Through passengers were:—

Mr. J. Benjamin, Mrs. M. J. Colliss, Mr. W. J. Christophers, Mrs. E. Dyer, Mr. H. Evans, Miss M. Lloyd, Mrs. W. Lloyd, Mrs. A. Main, Mr. A. Main, Mr. R. Murdoch, Mrs. R. Murdoch, Mrs. S. Morrison, Dr. H. A. Prager, Miss I. Stratton, Mr. J. Shoppee, Mr. H. A. Whittle, Mrs. H. A. Whittle, Mr. F. J. Anderson, Mrs. F. J. Anderson, Mstr. J. Anderson, Miss E. James, Mr. A. McIntosh, Mr. L. Meyer, Mrs. L. Meyer, Miss O. Meyer, Mr. V. Meyer, Mr. W. Prior, Mrs. W. Prior, Mr. D. Urquhart, Mrs. D. Urquhart, Mr. N. Ward, Mrs. N. Ward, Miss B. Ward.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Honolulu, Japan ports and Shanghai, on the 28th December (Saturday), a.m. She is due at Hong Kong on the 17th January (Friday), a.m. and due to leave for Manila on the same evening.

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The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Vancouver on the 30th December (Monday) at 5 p.m., leaves Vancouver on the 9th Jan. (Thursday) at a.m., is due at Hong Kong on the 1st February (Saturday) at a.m. and leaves Hong Kong for Manila on the same day at evening.

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The P. & O. steamer "Bhutan" left Shanghai for this port on the 31st instant at 2 p.m., and is due here on the 3rd proximo at about 6 a.m.

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The B.I. and Apcar steam ship "Santhia" will leave Amoy for this port on the 2nd January, 1936, and is due here on the 3rd January, 1936.

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The Butterfield and Swire s.s. "Patroclus" will arrive from Singapore on 4th January, 1936.

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The B.I. steam ship "Santhia" will leave for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on or about Saturday, 4th January, 1936, at 1.30 p.m.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, the freight returns, received from the Harbour Office show a fairly high tonnage movement, a large proportion of which being contributed by British ships.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 4,823 tons, with British steamers carrying 3,035 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 19,896 tons, of which 8,701 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 739, of which 193 were from British steamers.

There were altogether only 8 arrivals, of which 3 were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 18 departures, 5 were British ships, the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:—

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage.
British	3	11,736
Danish	2	7,611
Japanese	3	5,372
Total	8.	24,719

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

WHARVES.

Kowloon:—Nankin, G. G. Paul Doumer and Ho Sang.
Holt's:—Lycaon.
Douglas Lapraik:—Hai Ning and Selstan.
Saikong:—Wing Wo.

DOCKS.

Kowloon:—Mau Sang and Emp. of Japan.
Taikoo:—H.M.S. Orpheus, Ying Chow, Tung Chow, Hong Hsiang, Asama Maru and Tai Yuan.

BUOYS.

No. A3.—Michiyo Maru.
No. A4.—Tjikarang.
No. A5.—Gustav Diederichsen.
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No. A16.—Yat Shing.
No. B3.—Kiungchow.
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No. C1.—Shun Chih.

MAJESTIC TO BE SCRAPPED

Withdraws From Service Soon

London, Dec 10.

The Cunard-White Star liner Majestic (56,621 tons), the biggest liner in the world until the Normandie was built, is to be withdrawn from service in February, and sold to the shipbreakers.

A shipping authority told "The Daily Telegraph" last night that this decision would make the ordering of a sister ship to the Queen Mary much more probable.

It will mean the almost complete extinction of the old White Star Line.

When the Cunard-White Star merger took place, the new company took over seven White Star ships—the Majestic, Olympic, Doric, Georgic, Homeric, Laurentic and Britannic. Of these only the Georgic and Britannic will be left in active service. The others either have been sold or are to be sold.

THREE-SHIP SERVICE

Next year the express service between Southampton and New York will be operated by three Cunard liners: the new Queen Mary, the Aquitania (45,647 tons), and the Berengaria (52,101 tons).

The Majestic's last trip will be her return from New York on February 14. She will reach Southampton on February 21. The liner is now in the Atlantic, homeward bound from New York.

The Majestic was laid down in Hamburg just before the war and named the Bismarck by the Kaiser. The war prevented her completion and Germany had to hand her over along with the Imperator and the Vaterland.

Three months ago she completed her 400th Atlantic crossing, having covered a total distance of 1,250,000 miles.

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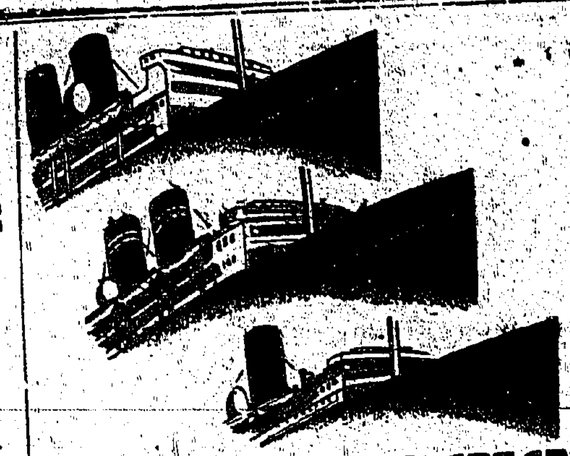

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*MIRZAPORE	7,000	11th Jan.	Bombay & Karachi
††BEHAR	6,000	18th Jan.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, R'dam., Antwerp & Hull.
‡RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*†SOUDAN	7,000	1st Feb.	Marseilles, Havre, London, H'burg., R'dam., A'werp & Hull.
CHITRAL	15,000	8th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
CATHAY	15,000	22nd Feb.	Marseilles and London.
†*BURDWAN	6,000	29th Feb.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
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CHITRAL	15,000	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
SHIRALA	8,000	24th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CATHAY	15,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai Kobe & Yokohama
*BURDWAN	6,000	29th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
TANDA	7,000	6th Feb.	do
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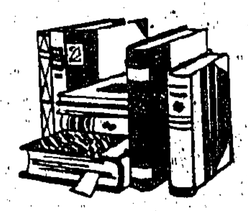

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Authorised Capital $50,000,000
Issued & Fully Paid-up $20,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £6,500,000
Silver $10,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors $20,000,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONG KONG

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Hongkew		

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in LOCAL CURRENCY and STERLING on terms which will be quoted on application.
Also up to date SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES in various sizes TO LET.
Hong Kong, November 1, 1935.

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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

For the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 25th February, 1935.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Authorized Capital £3,000,000
Subscribed Capital £1,800,000
Paid-up Capital £1,050,000
Reserve Fund and Rest ... £1,247,830

DIRECTORS:
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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
Travellers Cheques issued.
Trustee and Executorships undertaken.
INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.

R. KENNEDY.
Manager.
Queen's Road Central.
Hong Kong, 24th July, 1935.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED

Capital (fully paid up) Yen 100,000,000
Reserve Fund ... Yen 127,450,000.00

HEAD OFFICE:—YOKOHAMA

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Alexandria	Honolulu	Rangoon
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(Dalny)	Moji	Sydney
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(Mukden)	Nagoya	Tokyo
Hamburg	New York	Tsingtao
Hankow	Osaka	Yinkow
Harbin	Paris	
Hong Kong	Peiping	

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for Fixed Periods at rates to be obtained on application.

G. KISHINAMI,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 12th September, 1935.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £3,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £3,000,000

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ALOR STAR	ILOILO	SAIGON
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FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for One Year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. BREARLEY,
Manager.
Hong Kong January 1st, 1935.

THE AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, INC.

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Capital ..... U.S.$6,000,000.00
Surplus ..... U.S.$2,183,633.06
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HEAD OFFICE:—HONG KONG
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Canton	Nagasaki	Seattle	Tientsin
Haiphong	New York	Tokyo	
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Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Loans granted on approved securities.
Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local and Foreign Currencies on terms which will be quoted on application.
Safe Deposit Boxes To Let.

KAN TONG PO
Chief Manager.

THE BANK OF CHINA

Reorganized under special charter of the National Government as an INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK
Paid-up Capital ..... $40,000,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—SHANGHAI.

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We transact general banking business and extend to our clients special facilities for domestic and foreign exchange.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From January 1, to 7, 1936.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hong Kong Standard Time	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	1	01 26	6 4	01 13	2 0
		15 01	5 5	20 19	3 6
Thur.	2	02 44	5 6	08 56	2 6
		15 52	5 9	22 30	3 4
Fri.	3	04 19	4 5	09 42	3 2
		16 46	6 3	—	—
Sat.	4	06 10	4 4	00 14	3 7
		17 40	5 8	10 31	3 5
Sun.	5	07 52	4 2	01 25	1 9
		18 35	7 2	11 24	3 8
Mon.	6	08 10	4 3	02 15	1 4
		19 26	7 8	12 17	3 9
Tues.	7	10 01	4 4	03 00	0 9
		20 14	7 9	13 10	3 9

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Dec., 31.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer...	30.07	30.09	29.97.
Temperature	59	62	63
Humidity	69	71	71
Wind— Direction	E	E	E
Force	3	5	4
Weather	B	B	B
Rain ..	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 30:62
Lowest open-air Temperature, 31:52

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing Showers; J=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on ONE FOURTH of the ordinary rate and, to other places on ONE THIRD of the ordinary rate.
(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words.
Further particulars may be obtained on application to the Radio Office.

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Bandoeng-Amsterdam (K.L.M.) via Singapore
Saigon-Marseilles (Air Orient) via Saigon
Singapore-Australia

Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Offices. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at a Post Office.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
STRAITS	*Titan*	2nd Jan.
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Vancouver B.C. 14th December)—and EUROPE via SIBERIA (London, 12th December)	*Emp. of Asia*	2nd Jan.
AMOY	*Santhia* ...	3rd Jan.
MANILA	*Pres. Grant* ...	3rd Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (San Francisco, 6th December) ...	*Pres. Wilson* ...	3rd Jan.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	*Haruna Maru*	3rd Jan.
AUSTRALIA and MANILA	*Taiping* ...	3rd Jan.
STRAITS	*Narenta*	3rd Jan.
SHANGHAI	*Bhutan*	3rd Jan.
Straits and Europe Via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London, 5th December and London Parcels (London, 28th November)—and Air-Mail ex "Imperial Service" — London, 21st December and "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam, 21st December).	*Patroclus* ...	4th Jan.
JAPAN	*Brisbane Maru* ...	4th Jan.
AUSTRALIA and MANILA	*Nellore*	4th Jan.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	*General Pershing*...	5th Jan.
JAVA and MANILA	*Tjisalak*	5th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (San Francisco, 13th December)	*Pres. Cleveland* ...	6th Jan.
CALCUTTA and STRAITS ...	*Sirdhana* ...	7th Jan.
SHANGHAI	*Perseus*	7th Jan.
SHANGHAI	*Talthybius*	7th Jan.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 12th December and London Parcels—London, 5th December.	*Chitral* ...	9th Jan.
JAVA	*Tjisadane* ...	9th Jan.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...	*Carthage* ...	10th Jan.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Seattle 21st December)	*Pres. Jefferson* ..	10th Jan.

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For	Per	Date and Time
THURSDAY		Thursday, 2nd, 10.30 A M
Amoy	*Tsinan*	*K.P.O.* Reg. 12.30 P M. Let. 1.00 P M
Letters for "Imperial Service" —due London, 17th January. Letters for "K.L.M. Service" —due Amsterdam, 13th Jan.	Arabia Maru	*G.P.O.* Reg. 1.00 P M Let. 1.30 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa	*Arabia Maru* ..	2.30 P M
Manila	*Emp. of Asia* ...	4.30 P M
FRIDAY		Friday, 3rd,
Hoihow	*Muinam*	10.00 A M
Sandakan	*Mausang*	10.30 A M.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ...	*Kaying* ...	1.00 P M.
Swatow	*Hydrangea* ...	3.00 P M.
*Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Tan*	3.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *EUROPE via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 21st January—and *EUROPE via Siberia	*Pres. Grant* ...	Parcels 3.00 P M Reg. 4.15 P M Letters 5.00 P M
*Straits and *EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 5th Febuary	*Bhutan* ...	*Kouloon P.O.* Reg. 3.30 P M. Letters 4.30 P M *G.P.O.* Reg. 4.15 P M Letters 5.00 P M.
*Manila	*Pres. Wilson* ...	5.00 P M
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles —due Marseilles, 1st February ...	*Haruna Maru*	*Kouloon P.O.* Reg. 4.30 P M Letters 4.30 P M *G.P.O.* Reg. 5.00 P M Letters 6.00 P M
SATURDAY		Saturday, 4th,
Letters for "Imperial Service" —due London, 20th January. Letters for "K.L.M. Service"— due Amsterdam, 16th January. Letters for "Singapore—Australia Service"—due Darwin, 14th January.	Santhia ...	*K.P.O.* Reg. 9.30 A M Let. 10.00 A M *G.P.O.* Reg. 10.00 A M Let. 10.30 A M
Straits, Sandakan and Calcutta	*Santhia*... ...	Parcels 10.30 A M Letters 11.30 A M
Amoy ...	*Kiangsu* ...	3.30 P M
Shanghai and *EUROPE via Siberia ...	*Patroclus*	5.00 P M
Foochow	*Nanchang* ...	5.00 P M
SUNDAY		Sunday, 5th,
Manila	*Gen. Pershing* ...	9.00 A M
Bangkok via Swatow	*Kiangsu*	9.00 A M
MONDAY		Monday, 6th,
Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane —due Brisbane, 20th January ...	*Brisbane Maru*	Parcels Noon Reg. 12.45 P M Letters 1.30 P M

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